Today's Weather. Snow.

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THE WEATHER

Fair.

Snow flurries, followed by fair and cold today, and fair and warmer weather for tomorrow is the forecast of the Washington observer for Pittsburgh and vicinity. The maximum temperature yesterday was 37 and the minimum 25 degrees. The sun rose cloudy 7:42 and set cloudy at 4:55 yesterday. The daily report, furnished by the local weather office, follows:

Time.	Baro.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	29.86	32	48	S.W.	Snow
8 p. m.	30.04	27	83	W.	Snow

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 19:

	1904	1903		1904	1903
Maximum	37	40	Mean	31	32
Minimum	25	24	Precipitation	.07	T.
Nor. temp. 31 yrs.		34	Nor. precip. 31 yrs.		.09
Dfcy. for day		2	Dfcy. for day		.02
Dfcy. since Dec. 1.		147	Dfcy. since Dec. 1.		.96
Dfcy. since Jan. 1.		635	Dfcy. since Jan. 1.		3.44

Official Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Snow flurries, followed by fair and colder Tuesday; snow Wednesday, with rising temperature; fresh west winds, becoming south.

West Virginia—Fair Tuesday. Wednesday rain or snow with rising temperature.

Ohio—Fair Tuesday, except snow along the lake. Wednesday rain or snow with rising temperature, increasing south winds.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Cairo	34	Cloudy	Cincinnati	24	Clear
El Paso	56	Clear	St. Louis	30	Cloudy
Omaha	36	Clear	Louisville	24	Clear
Buffalo	30	Clear	Memphis	40	PtCldy
Cleveland	28	Cloudy	Indianapolis	16	Clear
Salt Lake	28	Clear	Kansas City	34	Clear
Denver	54	PtCldy	Chicago	18	Cloudy
Duluth	10	Snow	Washington	36	Clear
St. Paul	18	PtCldy	New Orleans	52	Clear
Huron	46	Cloudy	Philadelphia	32	Clear
Helena	46	Clear	New York	32	Cloudy

When in New York stop at Gregorian hotel, 35th street West, near 5th avenue.

SHELL CUT HIS BODY IN TWO

Tragic Fate of Japanese Commander Who Attacked Sevastopol.

TOGO GOING HOME

All Japan Rings With Praises of His Heroes' Many Gallant Deeds.

WILL MEET THE BALTIC FLEET

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

TOKYO, Dec. 19.—Athough accustomed to hearing of acts of bravery on the part of their soldiers and sailors, the people of Japan have been thrilled by the details of the series of desperate torpedo attacks against the Russian battleship Sevastopol and other craft driven outside the harbor of Port Arthur by the fire of the Japanese land batteries.

Commander Yezoe and Lieut. Nakahara are the heroes of these attacks, and the former promises to gain equal prominence with Commander Hirose (who on March 27 last was blown to fragments in Vice Admiral Togo's second attempt to bottle up Port Arthur), in the war traditions of Japan.

Commander Yezoe's flotilla of torpedo boats was undergoing repairs when the attacks were planned, but he succeeded in putting one of his vessels into condition for a fight. On this vessel, he promptly steamed to the rendezvous and, finding that the other flotilla had gone, begged and gained permission to join in the attacks. Then he steamed through the snowstorm alone, and succeeded in locating the Sevastopol, to which he was able to get close enough to hear the Russians talking.

Is Cut in Two.

Yezoe fired a torpedo, and then went closer and fired a second torpedo, when a shell from the Sevastopol struck him in the abdomen, cutting his body in two.

Portions of Commander Yezoe's remains were saved and brought back to the fleet. They will probably come to Japan for public interment, as was done with portions of the remains of Commander Hirose.

Lieut. Nakahara went to the rescue of the disabled torpedo boat which had been under the command of Lieut. Nakahori, who with five others was killed, and submitted to a deadly fire. Nakahara's boat was hit repeatedly, but he succeeded in rescuing a majority of the crew of Nakahori's boat.

More of Admiral Togo's men volunteered for participation in the attacks than could be assigned.

It is probable that Admiral Togo will soon return to Japan, leaving a junior admiral to conduct the final operations, and to continue the blockade. It is expected Togo will be summoned by the emperor to Tokyo, where he will be given splendid public receptions.

Admiral Togo's campaign of 10 months is considered equal to any in the history of naval warfare. He has labored constantly under the necessity of preserving the vessels of his fleet for service against the Russian second Pacific squadron. The men are in good health and exultant.

Togo's Official Report.

Vice Admiral Togo, in reporting the renewal of the torpedo attack on the night of December 15, says officially:

"Our torpedo flotilla again attempted an attack on the night of December 15 against the battleship Sevastopol, the coast defense vessel Otvashni, and the torpedo boat destroyers lying at the foot of Chentao mountain.

Commander Seki's flotilla, braving the heavy snow, reached the enemy's anchorage at 4:30 o'clock in the morning and, running between the Sevastopol and a destroyer, succeeded in discharging torpedoes close against the Sevastopol and the Otvashni. The flotilla exchanged gunfire with the enemy's destroyer at a range of 100 meters and succeeded in hitting her. A torpedo discharged from Commander Seki's boat apparently hit the enemy's destroyer.

"During this bold attack the enemy's fusillade was exceedingly vigorous, but owing to the close proximity, our boats suffered no damage, and there were no casualties among the crews.

"Commander Jinguji's flotilla, following that of Commander Seki, discharged several torpedoes, and at least three explosions were clearly observed. After an exchange of fire with the enemy's destroyers the flotilla gradually steered seaward. Engineer Watanabe of Commander Jinguji's boat was wounded and two men were killed. One man was wounded on Lieut. Tamaoka's boat.

Fate of the Russian Ships.

The admiral then relates the account of Commander Yezoe's attack and his tragic fate. Continuing he says:

The result of many torpedo attacks and many effective explosions against the enemy's ships was observed, but it is regretable that I am unable to report more definitely. On the morning of December 15 the watch tower reported that a destroyer of the enemy, with a mast broken, was visible aground near the coast.'"

Telegraphing under date of December 18, Vice Admiral Togo says:

"There is no room left to doubt that the enemy's ships in the harbor of Port Arthur are totally unfit for service. It is certain that at least six Russian torpedo boat destroyers remain intact in the harbor.

"A staff officer of the naval brigade landed at Port Arthur, reports as follows:

"'The battleship Peresviet is lying 200 meters northwest of the Tigers Tail peninsula. At high tide the water reaches to the torpedo tubes in her bow. She is submerged to her stern walk, and lies aground without listing.

"'The battleship Poltava lies 200 meters north of the point of Tigers Tail. At high tide she is submerged to her afterdeck. She is doubtless aground and does not list.

"'The battleship Retvizan lies 100 me-

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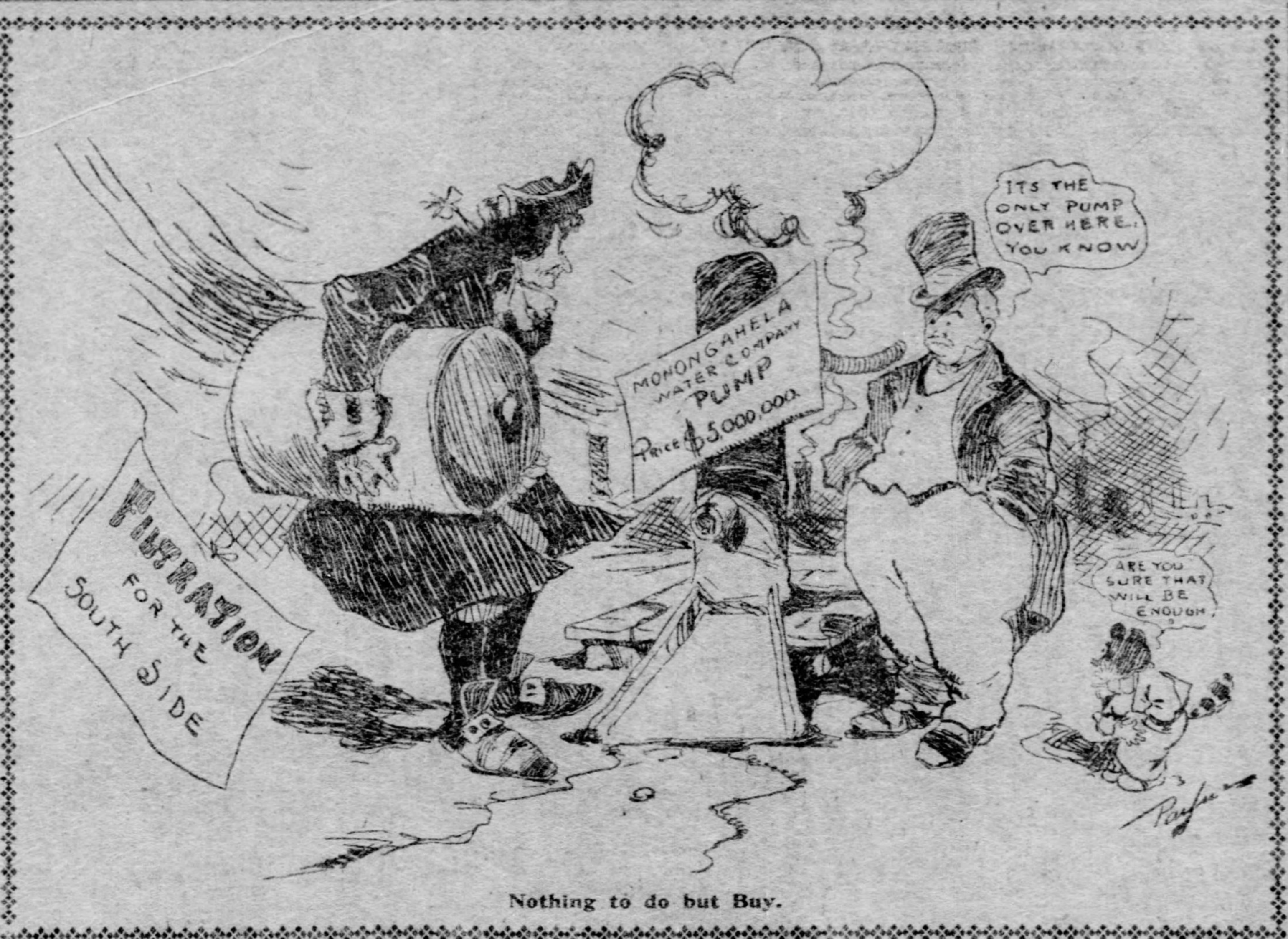

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JAPANESE TAKE ANOTHER FORT

After Desperate Charge They Capture an East Kekwan Fortess.

WILL ASSAULT NEW TOWN

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

TOKIO, Dec. 19.—The Japanese fired an immense mine under portions of the north fort of East Kekwan mountain at 2 o'clock yesterday (Sunday) afternoon. The infantry immediately afterward charged, and occupied the fort with a heavy force.

The following report of the capture was telegraphed from Gen. Nogi's headquarters today:

"At 2:15 o'clock on the afternoon of December 18, part of our army blew up the parapets of the north fort of East Kekwan mountain, and then charged. A fierce battle with hand grenades ensued.

"Owing to the stubborn resistence of the army with their machine guns, our operations were temporarily suspended. Subsequently, at 7 o'clock in the evening, Gen. Semeamiam, commanding the supports, advanced into the casemates and, encountering his men, threw his supports into the fighting line in a last brave charge.

"At 11:50 o'clock, at night, we completely occupied the fort, and immediately engaged in the construction of defensive works. Our occupation became firmly assured today.

"Before retiring, the enemy exploded four mines in the neck of the fort.

"We captured five 9 centimeter field guns and two machine guns, as well as plenty of ammunition. The enemy left 40 or 50 dead. Our casualties have not been investigated, but they are not heavy."

It is reported the Japanese have seized a strong position about 1,000 yards southeast of 203-Meter Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town, and pushing between Liao Ti mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur. The fighting against Sungahu mountain continues.

BLEW UP FORT WITH TONS OF DYNAMITE

Attack on East Kekwan Fortress Took Its Garrison Completely by Surprise—They Fought Bravely.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 20.—According to special correspondents with the Japanese army, the capture of the Kekwan fort was a complete surprise to the Russian garrison, there having been no preparatory bombardment.

Japanese sappers drove shafts 40 feet under the parapet. In these two tons of dynamite were exploded simultaneously, completely wrecking the interior of the fort, while siege and shrapnel guns shelled Russian troops in the vicinity. This occurred at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

A detachment of Japanese infantry made a headlong but premature rush, and 60 of them became buried under a mass of debris, greatly delaying the attack. Despite this mischance, another volunteer force dashed forward and captured the parapet.

In the meantime the Russians had been strongly reinforced, and a fierce hand-to-hand struggle with bayonets and grenades was continued till near midnight, when the few Russian survivors retreated to the city, and the fort was captured. Its construction displays the utmost scientific knowledge.

SNOWBALL FIGHT ENDS IN MURDER

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—In a quarrel growing out of a snowballing bout between the children of Felipe Scilaboro and Joseph Savoyno, Savoyno was shot to death today and Scilaboro was stabbed so badly that he died tonight.

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KNOX TO MEET LEGISLATORS

He Will Be at Harrisburg During the Senatorial Caucus.

JUDGESHIPS SETTLED

Three Republican Members of the Superior Court Will Be Renominated.

A BOOM FOR COL. ANDREWS

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.

When Senators Penrose and Knox will leave here on Wednesday for the holiday adjournment, they will not return until after the legislature has organized and made Senator Knox the caucus nominee for United States senator for the long and short terms. Mr. Penrose will go to Harrisburg on Saturday, December 31, and will take possession of a house in Front street that he has leased as headquarters for the session. There he will be joined on New Year's day by Senator Knox, who will meet the members of the legislature and make their personal acquaintance. On Monday the legislature will organize and that evening the Republicans will hold their caucus and select Mr. Knox as Senator Quay's successor. The two senators will remain in Harrisburg until Wednesday, when they will return to Washington. During his stay in Harrisburg, Senator Knox will be the guest of Senator Penrose.

The formal election of United States senator will take place on January 17, and the senators will be there on that date and for a few days afterward. Upon their return to Washington Mr. Knox will present to the senate his certificate of election in the place of the certificate of appointment from the governor under which he is now serving.

Judge Wilson Eliminated.

The leasing of a house in Harrisburg for the session by Senator Penrose is a custom that has been followed for some years by the state organization. It will be known as headquarters and while Senator Penrose will be in Harrisburg but a small part of the time, yet when he is there he will have a comfortable place to live and a convenient place for consultation with the state leaders.

Considerable talk of state politics is heard here now. It is reported on good authority that the three Republican members of the superior court whose terms expire January 1, 1906, will all be renominated. They are President Judge Charles E. Rice of Wilkesbarre, Judge James A. Beaver of Bellefonte, and Judge George B. Orlady of Huntington. This disposes of any chance for the nomination of Judge J. Sharp Wilson of Beaver, whose friends had hoped that he would get a place on the superior court.

It is also understood that the nominee for state treasurer will come from the western tier of counties, but the man for this place has not yet been decided upon. There are several receptive candidates.

Andrews Boom for Governor.

Friends of Col. W. R. Andrews, secretary of the state committee, are urging him for the nomination for governor in 1906. Scarcely a day passes that some one from the state does not call and pledge his support. But Col. Andrews has as yet made no announcement of his candidacy. When asked today for an expression on the subject, he said:

"The mention of my name in connection with the gubernatorial nomination in 1906 is, while unauthorized, of course very flattering and I am not insensible to the compliment. But the convention that nominates a successor to Gov. Pennypacker is a long way in the future and many developments are possible within that time. I have never sought the office, although no citizen of Pennsylvania could feel otherwise than highly honored by being selected for it."

L. W. STRAYER.

President Names Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The president today sent to the senate the following nominations of postmasters: Pennsylvania—Mary J. Russell, Vilas; Christmas M. Fech, Wampum; Coleman Smith, Coudersport; Eli D. Robinson, Butler. West Virginia—Benjamin O. Holland, Logan.

SENATOR PLATT CALLS CAUCUS

Summons Republican Leaders to the Support of Depew's Re-Election.

TO CHECKMATE GOV. ODELL

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.

Senator Thomas C. Platt has called a conference of Republicans to meet in the Fifth Avenue hotel Wednesday morning to take measures for the re-election of Senator Depew. More than 50 invitations have been issued to leaders and legislators, and it is expected a large number of those invited will be present.

Senator Platt's conference will be the second step in the Republican warfare that was begun when Gov. Odell summoned the leaders, who are friendly to him, to meet here last week in the interest of Mr. Black's candidacy. Mr. Black has permitted his friends in Troy to make a formal announcement of his candidacy, and, apparently, nothing can now prevent a bitter contest in the legislature, excepting the withdrawal of either Mr. Black or Senator Depew. Mr. Depew has said that he will be a candidate in the Republican caucus if he receives only one vote.

The action of Senator Platt brings the senatorship question to a crisis, and it is not improbable that it will be settled this week. Some of Depew's friends apprehend bad results from this activity of Senator Platt. They say it will only anger Gov. Odell, who will now be compelled to come out for Black to show that Senator Platt is not the leader of the party.

"Yes, I expect to ask members of the senate and assembly from the southern tier, and from northern counties as well, to meet me here," Senator Platt said today. "These men may have some views to express, and I understand they were not represented at the Republican club conference."

"Do you think Depew will be reelected?" the senator was asked.

"I am absolutely confident that he will be," he replied.

"Will you see Gov. Odell?"

"I will if he comes to see me. I am not going to see him."

Gov. Odell is expected in the city tomorrow.

WANTS APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Secretary Shaw Makes Recommendations Affecting Cities in This Vicinity.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Shaw of the treasury today sent to the speaker of the house a communication stating that the supervising architect's office is out of work and asking that appropriations be made for more public buildings in order to obviate the necessity of discharging some competent employes of the department.

He calls attention to the fact that sites have been purchased for 34 public buildings and six extensions of present buildings in various parts of the country, and asks that the money to put up these structures be voted by congress. He says that no more than $10,000,000 in the aggregate will be required.

Among the towns which have sites but no appropriations for buildings are Butler, Pa., Bluefield, W. Va., East Liverpool and Youngstown, O.

L. W. STRAYER.

NO DANCING AT CAPITOL.

House of Representatives Took Emphatic Action With Reference to the Inaugural Ball.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The house of representatives today emphatically disapproved the proposition to hold the inaugural ball in the capitol building. The house also voted down a resolution making a special order on January 5 the bill to restore to the Naval academy three cadets who were dismissed for hazing.

The house passed the bill recently passed by the senate to incorporate the American Red Cross.

The senate held a session of three minutes today and adjourned until Wednesday.

DRIVEN INSANE BY MORMONS

Woman Is Divested of Property Rights by the Church.

STARTLING EVIDENCE

Witness in the Smoot Case Tells of Persecutions Against Daughter.

ONE POLYGAMIST IS DEFIANT

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The case against the Mormon church as brought out by testimony adduced today to prove the unfitness of Reed Smoot as a member of that church to serve as a senator of the United States may be summed up as follows:

By confession of John Henry Smith, chief apostle to the Mormons his oath to his church is more sacred than his allegiance to his nation. By his testimoney it is proved by the senate committee on elections and privileges that polygamy in Idaho is increasing; that he has known of polygamous marriages subsequent to the manifesto; that, in no manner does he seek to excuse them. He continues to live plurally with wives; he received the general amnesty of 1890 and is a part of it, yet he wilfully has violated its injunctions. He has taken part in the general elections of the western states, indorsing such tickets as were not unfriendly to his religion.

By confession of the same Mormon authority: "I do, and shall so long as breath remains in my body, believe in polygamy, its practices, its harmony with the very covenants of God himself."

By testimony of Isaac Birdsall of Utah: That the Mormon church of which he now is an excommunicated member did no longer than a year ago give a verdict against his daughter, Cora, in a land suit in which the church bishops themselves assumed to settle the legality of title to 100 acres; that because she refused to accept the finding of the ecclesiastical court as final she was denied fellowship in the church to which she had consecrated her life; that the fact so preyed upon her mind that she became insane; that the bishops took advantage of her state of mental incapacity and by subtle agencies compelled her to sign a deed whereupon she was re-baptized. This further establishes the fact that Mormons have their own courts for the adjustment of claims, personal and general, exclusive of the Utah legal courts.

By the admission of the superintendent of education of Utah, A. C. Nichols: The public schools of his state do now and have continued the practice for some years of giving themselves up to religious teachings—these instructions, in every instance being for the benefit of the Mormon church.

By confession of Bishop Budge of Idaho: Plural marriages are held in greater reverence than edicts of the supreme court of the United States; that the law of the land is one thing; the law of God as revealed to his people through the apostles another.

By William Balderson, the editor of the Statesman of Boise, Idaho: That every act of the legislature of his state is influenced directly by Mormonism; that neither party dare go against the church; that John Henry Smith, apostle on the stand preceding him, did go to Idaho at the last session of the legislature and, by what means he would not say, secure by star chamber methods, a bill for a new constitutional convention having for its aim the abolition of the prohibitive clause relating to polygamy.

Apostle John Henry Smith, while before the committee this morning said that while he had come into citizenship under the general amnesty act, he had continued to violate its provisions. He was a Mormon first, a citizen of this republic afterwards.

Attorney Tayler: "You would obey your president before you would obey the law?"

"I would."

"And you still believe that plural marriages are in obedience to the will of God?"

"I do."

"You know that Senator Smoot has taken the endowment oath?"

"Yes."

Then in a halting, unmeasured way, Smith went on to say that he and his kind still believed that the supreme court yet was to give a decision embodying more fully the religious rights of citizens, and until then he thought polygamy was not wrong. God had told him it wasn't wrong. "For myself," he went on, "I always shall regard my obligations to my plural wives with more sacredness than any law mankind may decree otherwise. My oaths to them were as covenants with God. You cannot break them," looking Senator Burrowes squarely in the face.

But the most interesting witness of the day was Isaac Birdsall, a tiller of the mountainous Utah soil. His daughter got into a controversy concerning 160 acres of land. She was subpoenaed before the Mormon court of bishops. The verdict was against her and she appealed to the high court of the church. That tribunal also was adverse to her. Then she defied the church, whereupon she was excommunicated from its blessings.

All her simple, unaffected, devoted life had been given to the service of the Mormon faith. Yet because another member more influential and powerful was her adversary she was robbed of that she was entitled to hold. Her father told the story so straight as to convince all of truthfulness. Moreover, he exhibited the record of the apostolic bench.

"The priests crowded around my doors," he said, "and so annoyed my daughter that she became an insane woman. They threatened her with eternal damnation and red hell fire; they pursued her even when she had gone to her bed. Finally she relented, was re-baptized and she was restored into church fellowship. Meantime she had given the legal title to the land."

CASE TO SHIFT TO PITTSBURGH

Developments in Chadwick Affair Involve Local Men.

A TRUNK MYSTERY

Important Documents Spirited Away from a New York Hotel.

EXTENSIVE OPERATIONS HERE

SPECIAL TELEGRAM FROM
JOHN P. COWAN, Staff Corespondent.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 19.—Interest in the Chadwick case is now enhanced by a trunk mystery. Papers which are known to be of paramount importance in untangling the knotty points in the woman's strange transactions, have been hidden away in a portion of her baggage which was hurriedly shipped out of an obscure door of the Holland house in New York, a short time prior to her arrest. The referee in the bankruptcy proceedings, in his search for all available assets of Mrs. Chadwick, is prosecuting a vigorous hue and cry for the missing property and when the trunk is found some sensational developments will follow.

The scene in the most remarkable incident will then shift to Pittsburgh. Detectives are in that city now and are working along lines which indicate that the Steel city will be shown to be Mrs. Chadwick's most fruitful field of financial endeavor. The papers in the trunk, it is said, will divulge the names of a number of prominent Pittsburghers and will reveal her marts of negotiation there. Iri Reynolds of the Wade Park bank who told the romantic story of the mystifying treasure of jewels, was asked this afternoon if he knew the details of Mrs. Chadwick's transactions in Pittsburgh.

Operated Extensively Here.

"I won't say," he replied. "It was true, however, that she operated there on a very extensive scale. I don't want to talk about it," said the suburban banker sinking into his chair in his plain little office.

He seems to be suffering greater mental anguish than Banker Beckwith of Oberlin, who still avers that the half has not yet been told. Pittsburgh is now as much identified with the case as Cleveland and every Pittsburgher who comes to town is immediately questioned about the case. The name of Andrew Carnegie and those of some of his former partners are mentioned as being concerned with the woman's transactions in various ways.

It is related here the vivacity and beauty of the French maids employed in Mrs. Chadwick's home in Euclid avenue here were responsible in a way for the woman's facility in negotiating loans. People in the neighborhood of Wade Park declare that more than one sedate banker, and not all of them from Ohio, became enamored of the pretty servants in Mrs. Chadwicks' household and that they slighted no opportunity to return when flirtations were so unctiously carried on. The mistress, however, always managed to interrupt these little tete-a-tetes at the wrong time, it is said, and that the visitors were willing to grant almost any concession for silence.

SHERIFF EDWIN D. BARRY

Of Cleveland. He maintains that he is master of the Cuyahoga county jail, and in doing so held his own against the federal authorities.

Son and Maid Testified.

Chief of Police Kohler says that he cannot believe this story. On his visits to the Euclid avenue home, he said he found the home very orderly, but through the entire case the police had no occasion to investigate further. On the other hand, half a score of residents of the Wade Park district, who have visited her home, insist that the report about the social banking system is not exaggerated or that the prominence of the men has not been overrated. Mrs. Chadwick, of course, denies this.

Jay P. Dawley, Mrs. Chadwick's attorney, secured a postponement in the bankruptcy proceedings before Referee Harold Remington today. The testimony of her son, Emil Hoover, and her maid, Freida Swanson, today threw some light on the case and it was through their examination that the referee learned of the missing trunk and its papers. The maid said that the trunk was packed hastily and shipped to a destination unknown to her, but that she thought Mrs. Chadwick knew where it was sent. If Mrs. Chadwick answers this question tomorrow and the trunk is found, the investigators who are working in Pittsburgh will get fresh instructions.

Mrs. Chadwick was too ill to appear today before Referee Remington in the bankruptcy case against her. A lengthy argument ensued between Attorney Grossman and counsel for Mrs. Chadwick as to her ability to appear in court. It was agreed that two physicians should examine her and report on her condition to the court tomorrow morning, when it will be determined whether Mrs. Chadwick will be summoned before Referee Remington in the afternoon.

Thought Satchel Contained Diamonds.

Mrs. Chadwick's son Emil, when called as a witness, told of first hearing of his mother's trouble, and of her telling him not to believe certain things printed in the newspapers about her. He could not tell the present whereabouts of the trunk or satchel which were removed from the Holland house. The manager of the hotel, the witness said, had told his mother that it would be better that the baggage be removed, as it was understood a levy was to be made upon it. His mother did not tell him where the property was taken.

Hoover said he had a talk with Freda, the maid, Saturday night. They discussed Mrs. Chadwick's affairs and Hoover said the maid had given him the impression that the missing satchel contained diamonds sought by the receiver.

MARY CHADWICK.

With Her Father She Left Paris Sunday for New York.

Young Hoover told of a visit he made to Cleveland before his mother's arrest. She had sent him here to obtain a package deposited with a local trust company, and, which she said was very important. He said he was not curious as to what it contained, although his mother had him make a special trip for it, but he thought there were valuable papers in the parcel. Mrs. Chadwick, he said, had requested him to call on a lawyer here and a relative to obtain the package, and he did so.

"Mother seemed greatly worried about the matter," he testified. "I did not ask her anything about it and thought she would explain it in time."

BILLET PRICE UNCHANGED.

Steel Manufacturers in Session Yesterday Decide to Stick to Present Figure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Leading steel manufacturers, in session in Jersey City today, reaffirmed the present price of $21 a ton for steel billets. It is believed an advance of $2 a ton will be made in this product soon after the new year.

Following the meeting of the billet manufacturers members of the structural steel combination met in this city, and, it is said, reaffirmed the present price for their products. It is known the consensus of opinion favors higher prices, and it is believed an advance will soon be made in structural shapes.

Baltic Squadron Sighted.

CAPE TOWN, CAPE COLONY, Dec. 19.—Sixteen vessels, presumably of the Russian Baltic squadron, have been sighted 25 miles out, steering south. It is supposed they will coal at Delagoa bay, where colliers have already arrived.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived, December 19.

New York—La Gascogne, from Havre.
Liverpool—Canada, from Portland, Me.
Dover—Finland, from New York (for Antwerp, and proceeded).
Cherbourg—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York; Bluecher, from New York, via Plymouth (for Hamburg, and proceeded).
London—Canfa, from Tacoma, via Yokohama, Batavia, etc.
Naples—Koenigen Luiz, from New York (and sailed for Genoa).

Sailed, December 19.

New York—Manitou, for London.
Greenock—Siberian, for St. Johns, N. F., and Philadelphia.

Passed, December 19.

Lizard—Belgenland, from Philadelphia, for Antwerp.
Scilly—Finland, from New York, for Dover and Antwerp.
Gibraltar—Romanic, from Boston, for Naples and Genoa.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—Miss Ada Rehan, supported by Charles Richman, in "The School for Scandal," 8:15 p. m.
NEW ALVIN—The Harry Davis Stock Company in "Sergeant James," 2 and 8 p. m.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Continuous vaudeville bill of 15 acts, headed by Fadette Woman's orchestra, 1:30 to 10:45 p. m.
GAYETY—Creston Clarke in "Monsieur Beaucaire," 2 and 8 p. m.
AVENUE—Anna Eva Fay (fifth week), 8 p. m.
BIJOU—"A Desperate Chance," 8 p. m.
DUQUESNE—"Buster Brown" (second week of return engagement), 2 and 8 p. m.
WILLIAMS' ACADEMY—"The Gay Masqueraders," 2 and 8 p. m.
DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening; music tonight.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

PIANO VALUES EXTRAORDINARY

HOFFMANN'S PRESENT SOME EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

Our store offers a number of great inducements to Christmas Piano buyers.

Six new regular $250.00 Mahogany Uprights, of elegant appearance, refined tone quality, and reliable action, guaranteed eight years. Your choice for $155.00; terms $15.00 down and $8.00 a month.

One $385.00 Fischer Upright, good tone; now only $135.00.

One Vose & Sons Upright, finest San Domingo Mahogany case, colonial style, worth $450.00, (used four months) good as new, now $265.00, easy terms.

Our specialty is and always has been to furnish the very best quality for the least amount of money. An investigation of these offers will prove this claim.

Open evenings.

J. M. HOFFMANN CO.,
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Sole representatives for Sohmer, Vose & Behning Pianos.

A PROVERB BOOK.

We have a proverb book which is alphabetically arranged and contains about 4,000 proverbs. It has been compiled from the Standard English works on proverbs and has been used by hundreds of prize winners in numerous contests in cities all the way from Boston to St. Louis. This book has been printed especially for proverb contests. Price, 25c silver, or 2c stamps. Call on or address National Pub. Co., room 306 Smith Block, 6th and Liberty.

SUIT THREATENED BY STANDARD OIL

Magazine's Publishers Warned Against Printing Any More Lawson Matter.

WILL IGNORE THE THREAT

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Either the Standard Oil Company, and particularly H. H. Rogers, is going after Thomas W. Lawson with all its guns or it is about to make the grandest bluff of its career.

Lawyers were scurrying around today notifying the American News Company that its managers were in danger of criminal prosecution for libel if it circulated the magazine that comes out with Lawson's December broadside tomorrow. After this action had been taken Samuel Untermyer, Mr. Rogers' lawyer, started for Boston, much as Col. Greene started the other day, but with the penal code instead of a four-notched gun.

A similar intimation of a threat was made to the publishers of the magazine in question, but the American News Company announces the magazine will be circulated as usual today.

Lawyer Untermyer told nobody what he intended doing in Mr. Lawson's town, but lawyers tonight suggested that as Mr. Lawson had written the alleged libel of Mr. Rogers in Boston, and had in addition repeated the statements and even added to them in interviews for publication, that Boston was the proper place in which to cause the arrest of the author-financier.

Lawson, in his advertisement proclamations, has repeatedly challenged the men he accused of chicanery and fraud, and even perjury, to bring him into court, and so make a public test of his ability to prove his allegations.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 19.—Though "Gas" Addicks was reported in town today he could not be found tonight. Lawson says he has threatened to come over here and kick his door in.

"When he arrives," says Lawson, "I shall look him up. I shall not wait for him to come around and kick in my door. The minute I know where he is I will go to him."

James R. Keene, charged by the Boston man with "washing" sales of Amalgamated Copper stock, failed to produce his letter to Lawson, which he had defiantly said he would publish if Lawson failed to do so, and this failure so stirred Wall street that the stock market was half suspended as a result. Tremendous agitation among the brokers, who, according to Lawson, were used by Keene when he is said to have sold the Amalgamated for the insiders was reported.

Lawson announces that he will produce the reports of the brokers through whom this alleged act of Wall street outlawry was perpetrated.

RUSSIA WILL BUILD NAVY AT COST OF $200,000,000

Commisson Visiting Italy, Where Some Ships Will Be Constructed.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

ROME, Dec. 19.—A Russian naval commission, the chief of which is Maj.-Gen. A. Brynk of the royal naval artillery, is visiting Italian shipyards studying the best types of ships to be found here and the speediest methods of construction. The members of the commission assert that Russia intends to rebuild her entire navy, beginning with 30 battleships and cruisers and 200 torpedo boats, the total cost being estimated at $200,000,000.

It seems to be the purpose of the St. Petersburg government to build in Germany, ships for the Baltic squadron and in Italy the remainder of the fleet, so as to have them ready for the Mediterranean sea. As it is not expected that the ships will be completed before the conclusion of the war in the far east, there will be no infringement of Italy's neutrality in the matter.

ARREST ALLEGED MURDERER.

Man Suspected of Killing Miss Rose White Found in Woods and Surrenders.

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The authorities of Logan county today placed under arrest Fred Stratton, charged with being the murderer of Miss Rose White, the pretty 18-year-old girl who was found with her head almost severed from her body Saturday morning. Stratton was hiding in the woods, but surrendered without resistance.

The bloody weapons found near the scene have been traced to Stratton, his initials even being on a razor which was found near the dead body. He was taken to the Logan jail, but will likely be brought here tomorrow for safe keeping. He belongs to a well known family.

MUSKRATS EMPTY RESERVOIR.

Cut Off Supply of Pennsylvania Railroad Shops and Water Must Be Hauled.

ALTOONA, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Several holes were found in the breast of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's reservoir at Pine Croft, three miles east of here this morning. They were made by muskrats and soon grew to such size as to empty the entire reservoir and thereby cut off the principal supply the company has had during the famine to operate the shops at this city. The shops are now being kept in operation by hauling water from Sunbrook run, four miles south of here, and Mule Shoe curve on the new Portage railroad.

In this way the company intends to keep its local shops running for ten days. By that time the work of piping water from Tipton run to this city will be completed.

MAN DIES WHOSE FUNERAL WAS PREACHED YEARS AGO

PORTSMOUTH, O., Dec. 19.—Lorenzo Dow McKinney, aged 88 years, who had his funeral sermon preached in 1896, died here today. Ten thousand people attended the funeral services which were held eight years ago in a grove near here.

Your Liver

Will be roused to its natural duties and your biliousness, headache and constipation be cured if you take

Hood's Pills

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

My Answer to No. 10 Proverb Picture is

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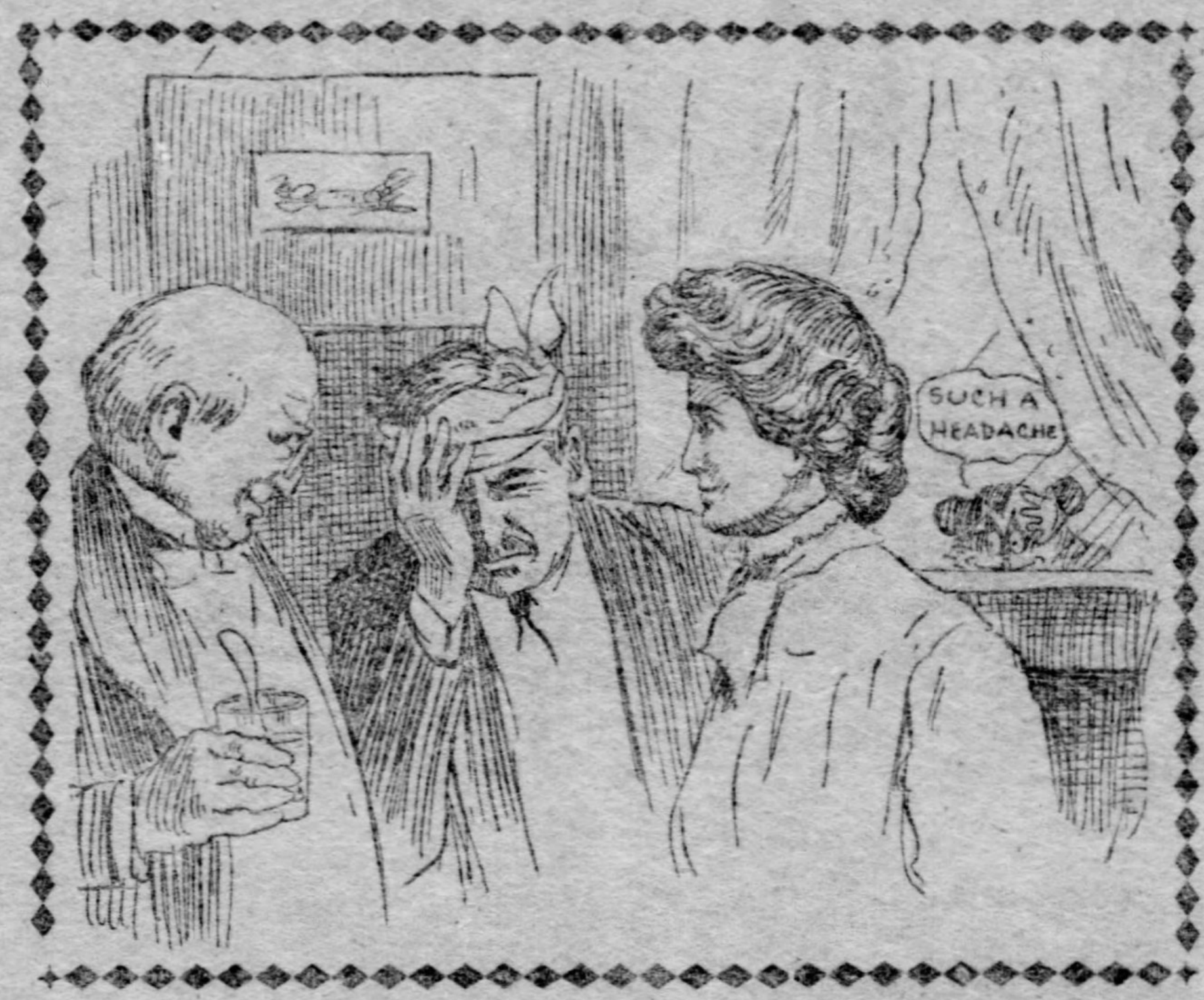
Fill out this blank form. Hold it and send with others at close of the contest. Address to Manager Proverb Contest, The Gazette, Pittsburgh, Pa. Send as many answers to the same proverb as you please. **Read conditions carefully.**



WHAT PROVERB DOES THIS PICTURE REPRESENT?

ANOTHER PROVERB PROBLEM TOMORROW

$1,800.00 in Cash Prizes to be given for the correct, or nearest correct, answers to the series of Proverb Problems appearing in The Gazette.

Read Conditions on Page 13.

SHELL CUT HIS BODY IN TWO

Continued from First Page.

ters east of the Poltava. Her condition is worse than that of the Poltava. She is listing five degrees to starboard and her after-deck is constantly submerged.

"'The battleship Pobieda lies 220 meters northeast half east of the point of Tigers Tail. Her after-deck on the starboard side must be submerged at high tide. Everything seems to show that she is aground.

"'The protected cruiser Pallada lies 100 meters east by north of the Pobieda. She is listed five degrees to port. At high tide the conditions of her decks is about the same as the decks of the Peresviet. She is doubtless aground.

"'The armored cruiser Bayan has listed 15 degrees and appears to be aground.

"'The above-mentioned four battleships and two cruisers have been abandoned, and no boats are seen near them."

BILL BEFORE CONGRESS TO TAX WOOD ALCOHOL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Representative Tawney introduced a bill today placing a tax on wood alcohol. The tax on crude wood alcohol is placed in the bill at 90 cents a gallon, and on refined 50 cents. The bill is in accordance with the recommendation of the commissioner of internal revenue, who says that refined wood alcohol is being used in the manufacture of whisky. At present there is no tax on wood alcohol, and the passage of the bill will result in governmental supervision of the product.

WASHINGTON GIRL TO WED NETHERLANDS MINISTER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—A marriage license was issued today for Minister Von Swinderen of the Netherlands, and Miss Elizabeth L. Glover, daughter of C. C. Glover of this city. Bishop Satterlee will perform the ceremony on Wednesday.

DON'T FORGET THE ANGELUS

HAMILTON'S

Mira Music Boxes For Christmas

GET A MIRA'

If there were better Music Boxes than the "Mira" we'd have them. That's our policy. There are other good boxes, but the "Mira" has so many advantages over the others that it really stands in a class by itself, although the prices are very moderate—$7.50 up.

You see the Mira is the only Disk Music Box having the genuine "Jacot" long running movement. It is the only box using the patent double reinforced tune sheets and having the exposed self-oiling devices. And the Mira is the only box having the piano tone. We have some very beautiful Mira Music Boxes and cabinets combined (with tune sheet compartments) at

$125, $135 and $150

One Dollar and a Promise

takes any regular style of Mira Music Box if it isn't convenient for you to pay the entire amount at once.

Some Low Priced Music Boxes

Perhaps a special price in a good Music Box would interest you this Christmas.

We have about twenty-five discontinued styles of Stella Music Boxes, with interchangable tune sheets. The regular prices are from

$38.50 to $125

But in order to close them out before Christmas we have

Cut the Price in Half

Come and see them.

Special Prices on Talking Machines

On last Saturday we did the largest day's business in the history of our Talking Machine Department. Doesn't that look as though our remarkable price offerings were appreciated.

Here are some of the items we're showing as special holiday offerings this week:

Disk Talking Machines

Regular $12.00 machine, large spring, 7-inch table, 14-inch horn. Reduced to.................... $8.25

Regular $22 machine, large spring, 15-inch horn, plays either 7 or 10-inch records. Reduced to.................... $16.25

Regular $30 machine, with two large springs, 21-inch horn, 10-inch table, plays any size or make of Disk record. Reduced to.................... $23.50

Regular $40 machine, double springs, 21-inch horn, beautiful style, plays any size or make of Disk record. Reduced to..... $29.85

Two Specials in Cylinder Machines

Regular $22 machine, plays X. P. or other standard Cylinder records. Reduced to.......... $16

Regular $33 machine, extra spring, plays seven records at one winding, plays any standard Cylinder record. Reduced to.......... $24

Thousands of Records

Don't forget our Christmas sale of Disk records. Thousands of 7-inch regular 50c records reduced to 15c and 30c each.

Come, Take Your Choice.

Thousands of 10-inch regular $1.00 records reduced to 30c and 60c.

We have the largest complete Talking Machine Department in Pittsburgh. Send for complete catalogues. Better still, come in and see the stock. Open every evening, remember.

PIANOS

If there's one gift above another that interests the whole family, that gift is a piano.

Here's a line of pianos that cannot be duplicated in this city. And we'll prove to your satisfaction that our prices—value considered—can't be bettered anywhere in the United States.

Used pianos, such as Pease, Wheelock, Fischer, Decker Bros., Hallet & Davis, Chickering and other makes at $87.50 and up make a very interesting display for the economical purchaser.

New pianos, including the Mason & Hamlin, A. B. Chase, Fischer, Hamil-Tone, Schumann, Smith & Barnes and other well known instruments are shown in every variety of finish, size and style in both uprights and grands.

And the ever popular

Conservatory Piano at $185.00

is particularly attractive, because of the exceedingly modest payments necessary to secure one. $15.00 first payment brings this excellent piano to your home and $7.50 per month cares for the balance.

OPEN EVENINGS. MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

DON'T FORGET THE ANGELUS

BISHOP'S LIFE HANGS BY A SLENDER THREAD

Priests, Nuns and Attendants Hopelessly Await End of Prelate's Busy Career.

The condition of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Richard Phelan, who is slowly passing away at St. Paul's orphan asylum, Idlewood, was reported to be more grave last night than at any time since his illness began. When his physicians left his bedside late last night his temperature had risen to 105 degrees and it was feared the end was not far off. The bishop continued in an unconscious condition all day yesterday, and the spark of life is kept glowing only by his great vitality.

The high temperature of the patient, as reported by the attending physicians, spread fear that the bishop could not survive the night. It was stated that if his temperature continued to rise a hemorrhage of the brain would result and the flickering spark of life would be extinguished forever. The priests, nuns and attendants at the bishop's bedside are prepared for the coming of the end, and at its first sign they will begin the recitation of the prayers for the dying.

The Rev. Father Michael Lynch, manager of the orphan asylum, has been constantly at his superior's bedside since the critical stage was reached, and last night he was still in the sick room on watch. Many messages of sympathy were received at the asylum yesterday. At all the masses in the Catholic churches in this diocese yesterday prayers were offered up for the bishop.

New Church Is Dedicated.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The Second Baptist church was dedicated in Grafton yesterday. The dedicatory sermon was preached by the Rev. C. L. Trawin, pastor of the First Baptist church.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 50c

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ESTABLISHED 1858.

The Christmas rush is on greater than ever before. Come early in the day, when the stocks are fresh, and you can get attention. We are open every evening until 10 o'clock.

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We mention just a few, hundreds of others just as good:

The Masqueraders.......	$1.08
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When Wilderness Was King	$1.08
In Love's Garden.........	$2.40
Out to Old Aunt Mary's...	$1.60
Old Sweetheart of Mine (fine edition)	$5.00
Miles Standish, Illus......	$2.40
Love Finds the Way......	$1.60

A new "Riley" Book just out and selling big, "A Detective Santa Claus," a beautiful book filled with illustrations, price.................... $1.00

CHILDREN'S BOOKS!

Visit our basement for children's books. You will find what you want, hundreds to choose from.

25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

CALENDARS

Don't fail to see our Calendars, beautiful assortments, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $5.00, and $6.50.

FINE STATIONERY!

Beautiful paper put up in handsome holiday boxes from

50c to $8.00

TOYS!

BOYS' TOOL CHESTS

Tool chests, reg. price $4.00, go for $2.75
Tool chests, reg. price $4.50, go for $3.25
Tool chests, reg. price $5.50, go for $4.25
Tool chests, reg. price $6.50, go for $5.25
Tool chests, reg. price $7.50, go for $6.25

The chests are the best American make, the tools are warranted superior quality.

BARGAIN IN PRINTING PRESS

Well-known "Eclipse" Printing Press, with rollers, ink, type, etc., regular price 85c, goes for.................... 50c

BARGAIN IN MAGIC LANTERN

Best make Magic Lantern, with lamp, slides, etc., everything complete; regular price $1.00, goes for.................... 65c

DOLLS

You will find big values in Dolls at

25c, 50c, 75c and $1

NOAH'S ARKS

Filled up with Noah and his family and all the animals; just the thing for the little people, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00.

THE LAST WHIRL IN PING-PONG

Just about 50 sets left; they sold at $2.25, $3.50 and $4.00; each one is in its original wrapper, bright, clean and fresh; your choice for.................... 50c

Our main floor and basement are given over to Christmas stock. Come in and roam around, all are welcome whether purchasers or not.

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Amsterdam Pictures—framed—mostly Dutch subjects—a fresh consignment—

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Spanish Leather Table Covers—new and very artistic—

Tabourettes, in odd shapes—shirtwaist and shoe boxes—screens—odd and artistic ideas—$2.50 to $50—

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Oil Paintings by well-known French artists—marine, landscape, military and campfire subjects—

And a lot of other things—not forgetting the always popular and appropriate Oriental Rugs—

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IT IS A FACT there are more Lester pianos sold in this state than any other high-grade instrument. We are the manufacturers and can save you from $50 to $100 in purchase of a fine piano.

Send for catalogue and prices.

E. G. HAYS & CO.,
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Open evenings until after Xmas.

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A Few More Days Before Christmas.

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JACOB BROTHERS and others.

We are successors to the Alex. Ross Piano Co. We are pleasing so many and feel sure we can please you.

Just received some more Pianos, which were delayed in shipment for the holidays, we offer at

$195.00

$10.00 Cash and $5.00 Monthly Payments.

$250.00 is the Regular Price on these Pianos.

Some used Pianos in fine condition, at lowest prices. You are dealing direct with the manufacturers—we will explain this more fully on a visit to our store.

Your choice delivered promptly on the date desired.

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Merry Christmas. Carter's Happy New Year.

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131 SIXTH ST. (Next to Bijou).

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NEW HOME
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The wonder of the age. A lock stitch or a chain stitch at your pleasure instantly, interchangeable without other adjustment,

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Exclusive Agents.

Special Low Prices, saving you from $10 to $15 on each Sewing Machine.

We have other makes of Sewing Machines, first-class, latest new improved Ball Bearings, Drop Head, Warranted 10 Years.

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Superb Diamond Rings
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Hardy & Hayes Company,
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HOLIDAY PIANOS

Lechner & Schoenberger

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OPEN EVENINGS.

DEATH CLAIMS JOHN L. STEWART

Member of Prominent Contracting Firm Passes Away After Lingering Illness.

TOOK RELIEF TO GALVESTON

John Lyall Stewart, member of the contracting firm of James Stewart & Co., died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning at his home, 242 Dithridge street. Mr. Stewart had been in bad health for several months, his condition being apparently due to nervous collapse. During the past few years he had subjected himself to much rigorous effort in connection with the business of the firm with which he was prominently connected, and this, it is thought, hastened his death. During a part of last week he was believed to be somewhat improving, but an apoplectic stroke came at a time when his condition could not withstand it. The announcement of his death yesterday came as a surprise and shock to his many friends in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Stewart was 57 years old and is survived by Mrs. Stewart and four children, three daughters and a son. His first wife died a number of years ago. The surviving children are James Lyall Stewart, who is now connected with the firm, Mrs. N. C. Banks of this city, and Misses Mary E. and Ruth, who live at home. The remains will be taken to St. Louis this evening for interment there, the family having resided in that city before coming to Pittsburgh.

The firm of James Stewart & Co. is known throughout the United States and England. Some of the most portentous contracts ever attempted have been taken up and carried to completion by A. M., J. C. and John L. Stewart, who comprised the firm, and who have followed closely in the footsteps of their father, who organized the company and won for it the initial fame which the sons have so well sustained.

John L. Stewart.

Gigantic Work at Galveston.

John L. Stewart, who was born in Kingstown, Ont., was a large spoke in the wheel. To him was assigned much of the outside work of the company, work which kept him away from Pittsburgh quite a great deal. When the great tidal wave swept over and desolated Galveston, Tex., John L. Stewart was one of the first to hasten there with relief, and to his ingenius presence was largely due the speedy transformation from chaos to some semblance of order. He was in Houston at the time and left immediately with one of the firm's engineers. The next day he had charge of 3,600 men who were engaged in rebuilding the water front and shipping and compressing facilities. So energetic was Mr. Stewart that not a steamship was diverted from Galveston.

In nine days from the date of the flood a grain elevator cupola was restored and 189,000 bushels of corn were shipped that day into one vessel and regular shipments were made thereafter. Within three months the entire wharf front of Galveston—three and one-half miles—was restored, the sheds replaced and every grain elevator and cotton compress put into working order, a feat which is said to be unparalleled in the history of contracting.

Entrance Into Pittsburgh.

The operation of the company began in Pittsburgh with the erection of the new buildings for the Union Switch and Signal Company at Swissvale. This work attracted the attention of George Westinghouse and resulted in the contract for the British Westinghouse shops at Manchester. When the Pittsburgh exposition buildings were destroyed by fire in 1901, the firm was asked to rebuild them before the date of the opening, and within five months the buildings, costing nearly $600,000 were completed. The company also built the town of Trafford City and the plant of the Westinghouse Foundry Company. These are but a few of the very many gigantic exploits for which the company was responsible, and in all of them John L. Stewart played a leading part.

Mr. Stewart had been a resident of Pittsburgh for seven years. He was for a time chief engineer of Dennison, Tex., and had charge of the construction of the International & Great Northern railroad. His brother, J. C. Stewart, who has his offices in New York, was not in the city at the time of his death. Funeral services will be held at his late home at 4 this afternoon, the Rev. Dr. Frank Sneed officiating.

ROENIGK WANTS ANOTHER ISSUE OF CITY BONDS

Proposes Purchase of South Side Water Plant—Contract Expires in Two Years.

Common Councilman A. G. Roenigk is advocating the purchase of the Monongahela Water Company's plant on the South Side, and is said to be preparing an ordinance authorizing a bond issue of $5,000,000 for this purpose. The city's contract with the Monongahela Water company does not expire for two years—December 22, 1906—but Roenigk says preparations should begin now in order that the sale may be effected as soon as the contract expires.

Other councilmen, however, do not recognize the necessity of beginning action at this time as the contract does not require a year's notice of the city's intention to purchase the plant, as has been alleged.

The ordinance provides that when the contract for 21 years, which was signed December 22, 1885, expires, that the city may purchase the plant and that it shall be done by the appointment of appraisers by the court. If the price fixed by the appraisers is not satisfactory to the city, it still has the right, at any time in the future, to purchase the plant upon this same appraisement, but in that case must give one year's notice.

Suppressing Auction Sales.

The crusade against auction stores in McKeesport was started yesterday by Mayor Falkenstein under whose orders Chief of Police Rotzsch closed the store of M. Ketterman on the grounds that he was unable to produce an auctioneer's license. The proprietor was doing a rushing business and has threatened to sue the city for damages.

Board of Trade Elects Officers.

At a meeting of the Carnegie board of of trade last night, the following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: President, Charles H. Hoffner; vice president, I. N. Dushaue; secretary, W. G. McCreary; treasurer, William M. Harbison; directors, Oswald Endo, Harry Lewis, W. F. Grimes, John B. Knepper and George F. Beaumier.

Col. Brown Will Visit Europe.

Col. Lewis T. Brown, manager of the Upper and Lower Union iron mills of the United States Steel Corporation, will visit Europe after January 1, on which date his resignation as manager of the two mills takes effect. Col. Brown will take in the Mediterranean route and will visit all the principal cities in Italy and Germany. He expects to be gone for several months.

Singing Same Old Song ... Largest in the World

PICKERING'S

SPECIAL-Tonight-5 to 10 P. M.

These sales are to satisfy thousands of Christmas shoppers who desire useful and beautiful gifts, and the prices we quote on the various articles this week will be below the actual cost on import orders in thousand lots. So we can safely say that we can save you from 40% to 50% on anything you may buy at these great evening sales of this week before Christmas.

BEAUTIFUL GIFT FURNITURE.

There can be no more serviceable gift, nor one that will prove a more constant reminder of the giver, than a pretty and useful piece of furniture.

There's always room for another rocker or a couch. Some nooks seem made for a little parlor table; and the hall without a hat rack looks bare. And as for those big, easy Turkish chairs and rockers, wouldn't anybody welcome such a gift? Or a Morris chair.

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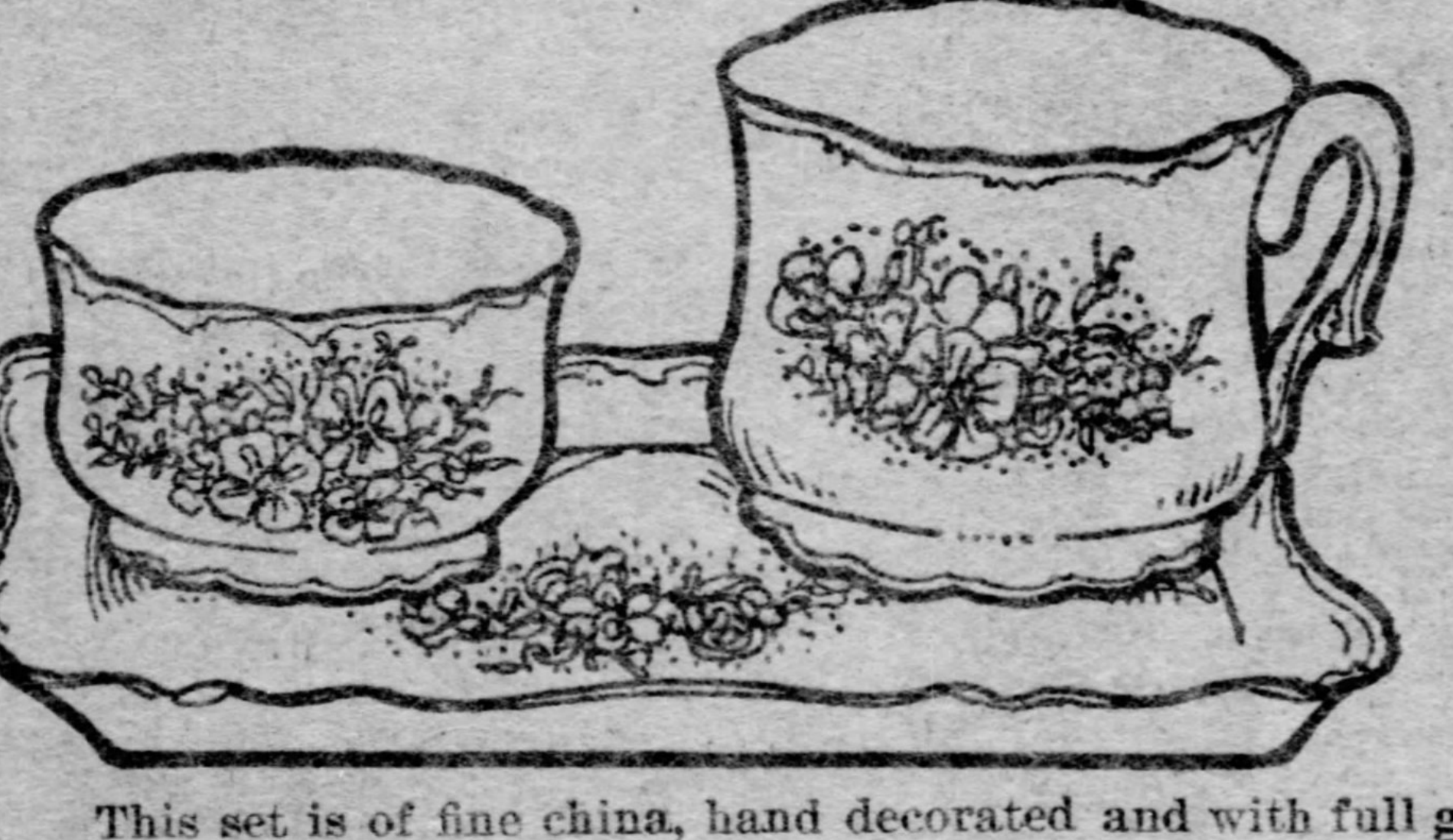

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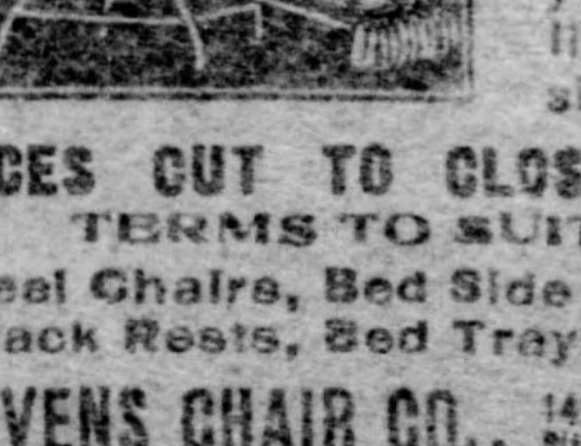

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Tuesday, December 20, 1904.

The dignity and excellent taste shown in the presentation of books as holiday gifts are shared alike by the donor and the recipient. Why not BOOKS for Christmas?

Pluck From Our Christmas Tree any of the following—(notice the diversity)—and the recipient will deluge you with thanks.

It's too late in these Christmas times to go into detail along lines of suggestions. Most of what we have to say is for don't-know-what-to-give sort of folks, and if you act upon our suggestions we have helped you along to a certain degree.

If you can't come today make a mental note that the store is open in the evening—every evening up to and including next Saturday.

Writing Desks for Gifts to Women.

Surely a collection of desks that range in price from $12.50 up to $300.00 is broad enough to meet a wide range of notions as to what a desk should be. There are represented all the fine goods, as well as all styles of inlay. We will guarantee to deliver the desk on time if selection is made promptly today or tomorrow.

At $12.50—Choice from Desks of mahogany, oak, birch and maple with rubbed finish, drawer below writing bed, pigeonholes and drawers inside—a very dainty desk.

At $15.00—Choice from desks of mahogany, oak, birch and maple, two drawers, pigeonholes and drawers inside.

At $18.00—Choice from Desks of mahogany and oak—nicely finished throughout—three drawers, fitted inside.

At $15.00—Desks of inlaid mahogany—one drawer, fitted inside—a beautiful desk for this money.

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Folding Screens Make Neat Presents.

While we have some very handsome Screens in the Fifth Floor Furniture Department, the screens here spoken of will be found in the Fourth Floor, West, Curtain and Drapery Department, all for reduced prices.

Three-fold dark oak frame Screens, silkoline filling, 75c value for 50c.

Four-fold hand-painted Japanese Screens, filling of red chintz, 4½-foot panels, reduced from $3.00 to $2.00.

Four-fold Japanese Screens, filling of chintz, painted panels, 5½ ft. high, embroidered colors, reduced from $4.00 to $2.50.

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Fire screens with single panel pictures, oak frames, reduced from 75c to 50c each.

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Paris Made Negligees and Matinees.

From mother to daughter, from sister to sister, nothing so appropriate. These garments are hand-embroidered and trimmed with lace. The richest of silk has been employed in their making, as well as the finest of wool cloths, such as albatross and French flannel. The models are exclusive, and our prices are exceptionally low for such fine French goods.

Matinees range from $6.50 up to $75.00.

Negligees range from $7.50 up to $200.00.

We also have quite a variety of plain and quilted Japanese Robes and Dressing Sacques, together with Elder Robes—various styles and colors—a diversity of trimming—$3.50 up to $12.00.

Artistic Pictures as a Suggestion.

Some of the choicest and best bits of art are to be found in our Picture Galleries—beginning with oil paintings and running variously to capital little things for the den.

Fine Oil Paintings, at $15.00, $25.00, $30.00, $50.00, $75.00, $100.00 and $150.00.

Colored Platinum Prints in gilt frames and shadow boxes, $5.00 and up to $25.00.

Carbon Photographs, many subjects, some religious, some secular, $1.00, $1.50, $3.00 and up to $20.00.

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Pipe Racks and Match Safes for Men.

A good idea for the man who has a den—however, a match safe is quite handy anywhere you choose to put it.

Up in the Fifth Floor Furniture Department there are Pipe Racks and Match Safes by the hundreds, and all are offered for reduced prices. They are in burnt wood effects.

50c Match Safes for 25c.
70c Match Safes for 35c.
70c Pipe Racks for 35c.
$1.00 Pipe Racks for 50c.

500 Fancy Sofa Pillows, 75c Each.

Come with us to the fourth floor, West, and we will show you ever so many practical things for presents. For instance, these fancy sofa pillows of striped tapestry, assorted colors, with tassel corners, for which 75c is a most reasonable price.

Medallion Tapestry Pillows, both sides alike, $1.00.

Pillow of washable Japanese Crepe, $1.25.

Pillow having the faddish Dutch figures on both side, $1.50 each.

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Table of Fancy Silks for waists and for many other purposes, $1.25 and $1.50 grade for $1.00 a yard.

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Either would please a man immensely, and our Men's Store is full of the most up-to-date ideas.

Lounging Gowns of English cloth, correct colors, $14.00 to $30.00.

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As for Mufflers, we have every kind that we think fit for men—different materials—75c each and up to $8.00.

Men's Fancy Vests, $2.50 to $6.00.

Don't recall a Christmas season when we have sold so many fancy vests for gift purposes. Don't know of anything that could be tendered a man particular as to his personal appearance that would give him more satisfaction. Look at these in Men's Clothing Department, second floor, West:

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Please remember that these rolls and bags are on sale in the Music Department of West Mezzanine. There is a large collection from which to select.

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OFFICIAL.—MT. OLIVER BOROUGH.

ORDINANCE NO. 49.

AN ORDINANCE—Providing for the change of name of Charles alley in the borough of Mount Oliver, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the burgess and town council of the borough of Mount Oliver, in council assembled, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same that Charles alley in said borough, lying between Stamm avenue at its eastern terminus, and its intersection with the Brownsville road, at the western terminus, shall be hereafter known, and receive the name of Sherman street.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law, in council, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. J. MOYE,
President of Council.

Attest:
GUS. A. SHENKLE, Clerk of Council.

Burgess' Office, borough of Mt. Oliver, December 6, 1904. Ordinance No. 49 is hereby approved.

J. P. AUGUSTINE,
Burgess.

Recorded in Ordinance Book vol. —, page —, this — day of November, A. D. 1904.

ORDINANCE NO. 51.

AN ORDINANCE—Granting the property owners abutting on Giffin avenue the right to construct a sewer, and to grade, curb and pave Giffin avenue at their own expense from a point two hundred fifty (250) feet east from the center of the Brownsville road to Transverse avenue, in the borough of Mount Oliver.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the borough of Mount Oliver in council assembled, and it is herey ordained and enacted by authority of the same, that the owners of the properties fronting on each side of Giffin avenue from a point two hundred fifty (250) feet east from the center line of the Brownsville road to Transverse avenue in the borough of Mount Oliver, be and they are hereby granted permission and authority at their own cost and expense to enter upon Giffin avenue and therein to construct in front of their respective properties a sewer of standard strength terra cotta pipes, with all necessary branches, and to grade, curb and pave with brick said avenue at a width of twenty-five (25) feet between curbs, according to the grade established for said avenue.

Sec. 2. The said property owners shall construct and lay said sewer and grade, curb and pave said avenue in accordance with the regular borough specifications.

Sec. 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed in so far as the same conflicts herewith.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this 5th day of December, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. J. MOYE,
President.

GUS A. SHENKLE, Clerk of Council.

Examined and approved by me this 6th day of December, A. D. 1904.

J. P. AUGUSTINE, Burgess.

ORDINANCE NO. 50.

AN ORDINANCE—Establishing the grade for Giffin avenue from the Brownsville road formerly the Birmingham Macadamized Turnpike road, to Transverse avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the borough of Mount Oliver, in council assembled, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, that the grade for the south curb line of Giffin avenue, from the Brownsville road to Transverse avenue, be established as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner formed by the intersection of the east curb line of Brownsville road and the south curb line of Giffin avenue, at an elevation of five hundred twenty-two and sixty-hundredths (522.60) feet; thence along the south curb line of Giffin avenue, eastwardly, falling at the rate of eleven (11) feet per hundred feet for a distance of three hundred eighty-five (385) feet to the west curb line of Fulton place at an elevation of four hundred eighty and twenty-five-hundredths (480.25) feet thence falling at the rate of three and two-hundredths (3.02) feet per hundred feet to the west curb line of Transverse avenue.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this 5th day of December, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. J. MOYE,
GUS. A. SHENKLE, President.
Clerk of Council.

December 5, A. D. 1904, ordinance No. 50 is hereby approved. J. P. AUGUSTINE,
Burgess.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

OFFICE OF COUNTY CONTROLLER
of Allegheny county,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 14, 1904.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF BONDS OF the county of Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

The sinking fund commissioners of the county of Allegheny, state of Pennsylvania, by virtue of authority vested in them by act of assembly approved April 22, A. D. 1863, do hereby notify the holders of Allegheny county compromise bonds that on and after January 1, A. D. 1905, bonds numbered and dated as follows, to-wit: Coupon compromise bonds Nos. 770, 774, 777, 778, 780, 781, 785, 787, 788, 789 and 790, and registered compromise bonds Nos. 654, 655 and 656, all bearing date of January 1, 1863, and maturing January 1, 1913, will be paid, together with interest to January 1, 1905, upon presentation at the office of the county controller at Pittsburgh, Pa., at which time all interest on said bonds shall cease.

REUBEN MILLER,
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Sinking Fund Commissioners.

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Anyone unable to purchase a copy of The Pittsburgh Gazette on trains or at news stands will confer a favor by reporting the same to this office.

Tuesday, December 20, 1904.

Senator Platt has come back to New York to take a hand in the senatorial contest, and he openly declares that if he can influence results Senator Depew will be re-elected. It will be remembered that Senator Platt tried conclusions with Gov. Odell over the last state ticket and was thrown rather heavily, and there are some indications that his pull is not so strong as it used to be, but in his present endeavor he will have plenty of sympathy, as Senator Depew has such a national standing that there will be widespread regret if the mutations of New York state politics should deprive him of his seat. A good rule for every state to follow, whether as regards representatives or senators, is when you get a good man hold on to him.

There are peculiar temptations attaching to the season. The city police note a remarkable increase in petty thieving and individual officers declare they have arrested many who, they are confident, were previously honest. These are mainly in the foreign settlements. There are many more cases of yielding to temptation that do not come to the notice of the police—men and women, carried away by the enthusiasm of the hour who are spending for gifts and festal purposes the money that might have been used in the payment of honest debts. In many cases these debts will never be paid because the opportunity has passed. The temptation is strong, though it ought not to be irresistible. At this season there should be generosity and good cheer, but the very significance of the occasion should carry a warning against excess and dishonesty.

A part of the Vermont method for the extirpation of tuberculosis is to have the commission go about the state giving lectures in the cities and leading towns on the best method of treating the disease. Stress is laid on care in diet and the need of outdoor life, and it is hoped the advice will be followed. It is generally recognized that sufferers can help themselves if they observe stringent rules. All such warnings against specific diseases deal with sanitary conditions and will thus tend to improve the life of the community. Such bracing air as Vermont enjoys was once considered an excellent environment for one threatened with pulmonary disorder, and recent theories entirely agree with this supposition, but unfortunately New England has become infected with the malady because the other precautions taken did not equal the fresh-air cure.

It was said the presidents of the letter carriers' associations who were removed recently had intended to retire from active work so that they might devote their whole time to lobbying in the interest of their fellow members. If this is true it must have been a cruel blow when the department announced that only the petitions of actual carriers in the service would be heard. The rural letter carrier belongs to a comparatively new institution, and it is possible that officials at Washington saw that he might build up a powerful machine. Postmasters who formerly represented an administration in the country are gradually being eliminated from politics, and evidently the department does not wish this new branch of the service to devote its energies to politics rather than the business of the public.

In accordance with the recommendation of the internal revenue commissioner, a bill was introduced in the national house yesterday placing a tax of 90 cents a gallon on crude wood alcohol and 50 cents on the refined. It is believed that in this way the government can better control the production and sale of this poison, which has been used so much as a substitute for grain alcohol in the arts for the adulteration of liquors. Of course, taxation will not prevent such a use of wood alcohol as killed the 10 Kentucky bargemen, for they drank it in a spirit of bravado after seeing the skull and cross bones on the label of the receptacle which contained it. But there have been plenty of other cases of poisoning by it to warrant legislation providing government supervision of the product.

When Gen. Stoessel finally abandoned 203-Metre hill to the Japanese at Port Arthur he is reported as saying that it was not worth retaining anyway. This is hardly credible in view of the desperate fight the Russians made to hold it, and the fact that from this eminence the Japanese were able to direct their fire accurately so as to destroy the remains of the fleet in the harbor. The abandonment of the vessels by the czar's crews is the final act in the demolition of Russia's eastern squadron which had its beginning February 7 last in the attack at Chemulpo, which opened the war. Naval experts were startled by the exhibit of the torpedo's effectiveness, and it is in this method of warfare that the Japanese have maintained their prestige from the first, for it was used again against the battleship Sevastopol, when it could not be reached by the gun fire from 203-Metre hill.

When the legislature meets in January it will be confronted by more bills affecting the traffic in alcoholic beverages than at any session since the Brooks license law was passed in 1887. The anti-saloon element is preparing to make a vigorous campaign for a local option law of more drastic character than the Brannock act, recently adopted in Ohio. On the other hand, the hotel men of the state propose to ask for the legal privilege to keep their bars open all night and the restaurant interest desires the time to be extended somewhat beyond midnight. The Philadelphia liquor sellers, who are now permitted by the courts to keep open all night, will ask the privilege of serving guests in their rooms or at meals on Sunday. That there will be a lively clashing of opposing interests is not hard to see. It is not so easy to forecast final results, but it is not hazardous to predict the defeat of the Philadelphia proposition for Sunday selling.

South Side Water Purchase.

While the proposition to make a fresh issue of $5,000,000 bonds for the purchase of the South Side water plant will strike many as a heavy draft, there can hardly be any dispute about the justice of giving the South Side the full benefit of filtered water and adequate protection from fire. The sum suggested looks like a very high price to pay for the property of the Monongahela Water Company, if that is what it means. The mains of that company are old and inadequate to meet the proper demands of the territory served. A large part of the plant will have to be reconstructed to give the South Side that to which it is entitled.

If it shall appear, however, that Mr. Roenigk's proposition includes reconstruction, repair and extension in addition to purchase, the sum may be regarded as not wholly unreasonable. The credit of the city is ample to cover the intended issue, and the authorization of the last filtration bond issue was upon the distinct promise that the South Side should share fully in the benefits.

Regulation of Rates.

In the annual report of the interstate commerce commission there is a clear presentation of the question of regulation of rates by the government. There is a discussion of discrimination in favor of private car lines and of private terminals. The commission began the investigation of complaints against these institutions some time ago and has not yet completed the inquiry. It has learned enough, however, to look upon both with grave suspicion and to find evil possibilities in them. The report of the commission reflects precisely the same sentiment as that expressed in President Roosevelt's recommendation for the amendment of the interstate commerce law.

Touching this recommendation and the attempt to make it appear that it caused a slump in the stock market, it is noted in the report of the commission that nine cases were decided during the year in which the findings were of unreasonable rates. Only nine in a whole year, in the business of all of the railroads in this great country! The absurdity of the claim that power to enforce reasonable rates in these cases would seriously affect railroad earnings is so obvious that it needs no argument.

It is the natural function of government to protect its people from injustice and imposition. The right or propriety of empowering some tribunal to perform it effectively is not fairly open to question. The president's recommendation concerning interstate rates amounts to nothing else than the assertion of that right.

Adulterated Food.

Nineteen persons were arraigned before Alderman Groetzinger yesterday on charge of selling adulterated sausage. The informations were made by the state dairy and food commission. It is well known that preservative substances are being continually offered to dealers and their use has become a trade practice. Occasional prosecutions instituted by the state authorities have only a temporary effect in repressing a practice national in extent. We are glad to note that in recent reports of the state commission the milk sold in Pittsburgh was found to be pure in all samples tested, but we remember that last summer reports showed that chemically preserved milk was frequently found, and no great assurance can be felt that with the return of hot weather consumers may not again be exposed to the same risk.

In behalf of dealers it should be remembered that so extensive has become the use of chemical preservatives and adulterants that it is almost impossible for retailers to avoid handling such goods. Investigation has shown that every species of food is exposed to adulteration, and a retailer is quite likely to find himself subject to the penalty of the law when he has acted in perfect good faith. The situation is such as to indicate that the only authority competent to grapple with this evil in its entirety is the national government. Then if adulterated goods are found in Pittsburgh which were put up in another state prosecution can be carried on to the right quarter, whereas state authority can deal only with the local vendor, who is more apt to be rather a victim than an intentional offender. Trade competition forces upon him trade goods, and the only authority which can reach trade supplies is that of the national government. A pure food bill has long been pending before congress, and it ought to receive enactment.

National Regulation of Insurance.

While President Roosevelt's recommendation of national control over railroad rates meets with opposition from the railroad companies, his recommendation of the extension of national supervision over the business of insurance causes gratification among life insurance companies at least. They have good reason to appreciate the security which national control would give. A company transacting a national business is now subject to supervision and control by some 50 different departments. The present annual amount paid in taxes, licenses, fees, etc., to these various departments is about $9,000,000.

Of course, the policy holders have in the end to bear this burden, which virtually subjects them to an insidious taxation without any corresponding benefit. For instance, the state of North Carolina collects over $200,000 from insurance companies, while less than $5,000 are required for the administration of the department. Last year the Wisconsin insurance department collected over $500,000 from insurance companies, while less than $20,000 were required for the maintenance of the department. Moreover, the charges are liable to increase by state legislation, and thus the rights of policy holders in other states may be impaired.

Such a state of affairs is contrary to equity and is so prejudicial to the interests of the public that even state insurance commissioners have recommended that the business should be put under national control. State supervision originated in Massachusetts, but so long ago as 1865 Elizur Wright, then insurance commissioner of Massachusetts, strongly urged the establishment of national regulation in place of state regulation.

A step in that direction was taken in the organization of the department of commerce and labor and the original draft of the bill provided for a bureau of insurance. The bill as passed did not do more than authorize the bureau of corporations to gather and publish information concerning corporations engaged in interstate commerce, including corporations engaged in insurance. If insurance is a part of interstate commerce congress has exclusive jurisdiction. The business of insurance, while manifestly interstate in character, has not yet been declared to be of the nature of interstate commerce, but what congress has done as regards railroad and steamboat transportation, banking and telegraph lines it is believed that it can do as regards insurance, and that it has but to declare insurance to be a necessary factor of interstate commerce to have it recognized as such in the courts. Insurance interests are already ripe for the change.

Christmas Giving.

For the next few days the streets and the shops will be thronged with buyers all intent on selecting articles to please others. In most cases the gifts are for members of their own family, but in every instance the thought of the purchaser is intent on some one besides himself. Thus for the season it may be said that the whole civilized world is in pursuit of objects to bring happiness to friends, and thus the spirit of the occasion seems to be a reversal of the ordinary pursuits which are intent on gratifying self. In this absorbing occupation the origin of the custom is forgotten and with many the significance of the holiday is no longer associated with the great event in the Christian religion. Thus the Jew vies with the Gentile in the benevolence that seems to permeate the very atmosphere and cheer the closing hours of the year.

Pessimists, who assert that the world is growing sordid, should suspend their sweeping conclusions drawn from the ordinary relations of men to take note of sentiment that seems to soften the asperity of this bleak month and to reveal an acknowledgement of the brotherhood of man. Thousands of the gifts may simply express the prevalence of a custom, but there are many instances of self-sacrifice that add blessings to the exchange of gifts, and the new year opens with the sense of pleasure that always follows the granting of favors. Often vice and dissipation betray excesses at Christmas time, but the whole world appears to be lifted to a higher plane, and the world grows better with each uplift. There is continual hope for the future resulting from the Christmas impulse to look away from self, even though but for a short period.

Railroad Dangers.

Despite the enlarged use of safety appliances on the railroads of the country the list of killed and injured is larger this year than last. During the year to date 420 passengers have been killed and 8,077 injured, as against 303 killed and 6,089 injured last year. This may probably be accounted for by the increased excursion business incited by the St. Louis exposition. That traffic, however, should not have added much to casualties among employes, and the increase there is in in as great proportion as among passengers.

Automatic couplers, train brakes and side rods are now obligatory by law. It was expected their use would greatly decrease the number of accidents. This does not appear to be the case. During this year 3,367 railroad employes were killed and 43,206 were injured. This is an increase of nearly 800 in the number of killed and of nearly 10,000 in the number of injured. The interstate commerce commission's report, however, points out a marked decrease in coupling accidents since the automatics are used, so it is fair to assume the increase has been from causes not affected by the new regulations.

The prime need is to have the block system adopted on every railroad. Wherever possible it should be accompanied by automatic signals. Given this much mechanical improvement, the remainder will be accomplished by discipline and care. It is time that American roads should be giving safety as much attention as the reduction in ton mileages.

Warden Meserve of the Delaware work house does not agree to the efficacy of the cat-o'-nine tails. He has whipped one man five times and has him back for the sixth round. This same fellow might have had more sentences without whipping, however.

Armories for the national guard will occupy the attention of the legislature and the guardsmen hope they will get armories to occupy.

Former Councilman Stevenson desires to assist Director Bigelow to find the money for Controller Larkin to pay the salaries with.

Forty Japanese warships have gone to meet Rojestvensky. There is no intimation that they have taken any fishing tackle along.

It is almost beyond belief that Kentuckians should get caught on wood alcohol. In the mountain districts, too.

University extension work is favored by many workmen, and that is the real field for university extension.

Rioting continues at Moscow by way of demonstrating the antipathy of the fighting population to war.

At the present rate of going Santa Claus will need extra reindeer to get through the snow where it is drifted.

Dr. Lyman Abbott has given the clerical world a harder jar than that administered by Bishop Potter.

Chinese opium traffic possesses but a mild interest for the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce.

It will be a crush for the remainder of the week, but the Pittsburgh stores have the goods.

Whoever has not yet made his holiday purchases needs to get busy.

Talked of in Gotham

By FRANK A. PARKER.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—With sentinels posted to warn them of the approach of detectives or representatives of the owners of the wrecked steamboat Glen Island, "wreckers" who at daybreak were alongside the still smouldering hulk in Long Island sound off Glen Cove today stripped the wreck of everything of value. All metal parts were loot, and boat load after boat load was taken ashore and hurried away to places of concealment. Those who profited by the wreck are boatmen. They made no effort to recover bodies, but bent all their energies to the dismantling of the vessel on which nine persons lost their lives. Wherever a foothold was possible the "wreckers" clambored, and with hammers, chisels and crowbars wrenched, cut and tore away the valuable parts. Even below the surface of the water they worked, unwilling that anything should escape them. In the same position the wreck of the Glen Island lies off Glen Cove. It had been announced that a wrecking vessel would go to the scene early today and begin search for bodies and then tow the hulk to a sheltered place, but at noon the vessel had not arrived. As the day wore on the "wreckers" became wary, and when a boat, in which were reporters, approached the wreck, their sentinels gave the alarm, and all the boats made for the shore, nearly a mile away. They were not taking any chances, and for half an hour remained under cover, but finally they learned from others on the shore who were in the boat and they returned to their ghoulish work. They confided to the occupants of the boat later that they had mistaken them for government detectives or men from the offices of the Starin Transportation Company who owned the Glen Island.

All day long the curious came to the scene, some walking, some riding and others driving. Souvenir hunters were there, too. The wreck, half submerged, is still smouldering, the heavy fall of snow not being sufficient to reach into the heart of the embers, which still glow in the hold of the vessel.

Woman Detective Sits on Prisoner.

Sitting upon a prisoner, with the full weight of her 200 pounds, was the method by which Miss Jennie O'Connor, a private detective in a Sixth avenue department store, made an alleged woman shoplifter cease resistance, according to the story told by the detective when she arraigned her prisoner in the Jefferson market police court today. The prisoner said she was Mrs. Mary Anstrom. Magistrate Barlo held her in $1,000 bail. Miss O'Connor told the magistrate that she saw the woman in the cloak department pick up a $10 fur boa and a $30 cravenette coat and then go into the ladies' dressing room. When she left the store Miss O'Connor asked her to return. She refused.

"I will have to take you there by force then," said Miss O'Connor.

"I guess you won't," declared the woman, and she sat down on the sidewalk regardless of the snow and the crowds passing by.

"If you don't get up I'll sit on you," said the store detective. She weighs about 200 pounds. The threat had no effect on the woman, and after further argument Miss O'Connor made it good. "I'll go," said the woman, breathlessly. Miss O'Connor got up with the assistance of Detective Sergeants Rein and Becker, who happened along opportunely, and the woman was put under arrest.

Real Earl Appears in Court.

One of the most interested persons at the "Nan" Patterson trial today was the earl of Suffolk, who was seated by Judge Davis. The earl, who is engaged to be married to Miss Daisy Leiter, was accompanied to court by Chauncey Gore of London. The distinguished visitors were escorted by John A. Henneberry, District Attorney Jerome's chief clerk, who introduced them to Judge Davis. Judge Davis shook hands with the earl and his friend and invited them to take a seat on the bench beside him. As his visitors complied "Nan" Patterson gazed at them curiously out of the corner of her eye.

The earl is a small-sized man and apparently about 28 years old. His hair is parted on the side, and he has a small mustach. He is unassuming looking and was dressed modestly. He wore a paddock coat and carried a cane. When he was sightseeing on Saturday last the earl expressed a desire to attend the Patterson trial. He asked if it would be permissible to bring his fiancee and other women of his party also, but Mr. Henneberry informed him that women were barred from the trial.

The Bronx Beats Manhattan's Record.

The real estate boom continues in the Bronx district and Manhattan must take a seat in the rear for the time being. The remarkable increase of plans filed last week for new buildings in the Bronx, as compared with the same week last year, is a fair indication as to what may be expected before the spring of the year in that great territory north of the Harlem river. Last week plans were filed for 45 buildings to cost a total of $1,141,350. The value is $55,850 more than the value of the proposed buildings filed during the week for Manhattan, and in point of numbers the Bronx exceeds Manhattan by 29.

This is only the beginning. The houses planned are mostly flats, which in itself marks a great difference between the building records of 1903 and what the future Bronx will be. In the past, two and three family houses formed a feature in that section, but today builders see a market for greater speculation on property that costs less than in Harlem and Manhattan with the same opportunities of securing tenants. In fact, the general argument is that the new flat in the Bronx will be more in demand than the present ones in Manhattan and that the near future will see a great movement of flat dwellers from Manhattan into the Bronx.

Liberty Won by Toss of Penny.

In the first criminal court of Jersey City today James Donelan, a lawyer, asked Judge Higgins to set aside a verdict found by a jury last Saturday which pronounced Peter Eckoff not guilty of a charge brought against him by Annie Cabbock. M. Donelan charged that nine of the jurymen stood for acquittal and three for conviction. After prolonged efforts to reach a verdict, the lawyer said, one of the jurors suggested that a penny be tossed to decide the question.

According to Mr. Donelan, this proposal was approved by another juror. The latter, the lawyer declared, said that he had been kept away from his business too long already and that the tossing of a penny would be just as good as any other way to settle the matter. The other jurors agreed, Mr. Donelan said, and it was arranged that "heads" would mean not guilty and "tails" guilty. The coin came down with the head up and Eckoff was acquitted. The question will be decided later.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

Waldorf-Astoria.
S. G. Cooper.
J. E. Patton, Jr.,
Holland.
W. M. McKnight.
W. C. Temple.
E. M. Bigelow.
Mrs. Bigelow.
Manhattan
F. M. Bowman.
W. F. Baker.
Mrs. Baker.
F. H. Spalding.
W. A. Lewis.
J. J. Kennedy.
A. W. Carpenter.
Hotel Astor.
H. H. McClintock.
C. D. Marshall.
Imperial.
H. W. Young.
H. Poettinger.
H. C. Ebbert.
F. W. Fowler.
H. Davis.
Broadway Central.
D. A. McCann.
C. A. Summers.
Cadillac.
W. L. James.
Mrs. James.
H. L. Williams.
Mrs. Williams.

Fifth Avenue.
F. Shula.
H. M. Scott.
Ashland.
Miss M. M. Walsh.
M. O. Sullivan.
Victoria.
W. M. C. Johnston.
T. H. Morgan.
W. A. Aiken.
Gerard.
W. L. Davis.
Mrs. Davis.
Grand Union.
P. Williams.
Mrs. Williams.
Earlington.
J. S. McKiggin.
Wolcott.
W. C. Fownes.
Navarre.
H. R. Edelman.
Bristol.
C. A. Bumpus.
York.
H. B. Rose.
Hoffman.
J. F. McCaughtry.
M. Lehman.

Answers to Correspondents.

Mrs. M. M. Jackson—Miss Helen Gould lives on Fifth avenue, corner of Forty-seventh street, New York city. You can probably learn the address of Webb Hayes in Cincinnati, O.

C. H. A.—Les Miserables is pronounced by not sounding the final s in either word and by putting the accent on the third syllable of the second word and sounding it with a broad accent.

The Quiet Observer.

By ERASMUS WILSON.

One of the more common of human frailties is to put the horse before the cart, so to speak.

Were we more careful in our search for comfort, health and fortune, we would fare much better than we do and the world would be a lot better for our having lived in it.

And then we are inclined to follow the band wagon, to reach for the tinsel and to run hither and thither without knowing whither we go, or what the end will be.

Here we are now blowing in our hard-earned money for that which is not bread and which will, at most, furnish a bit of good feeling with little real benefit.

It is simply a case of following the procession wagon that goes to no place worth while.

Why not break away from the band wagon and do a few stunts of our own?

Instead of investing in holiday goods, most of which are no good, suppose you take a vacation of a few days, and instead of going toward the tropics strike out for the north. Just now the northland is in fine dress and full of good cheer.

This is a common sense scheme, and one that will do you more good than to go south, for it will brace you up instead of relaxing you, so that when you return you will not suffer from colds and chills, because the northern climate is more in accord with our mixed weather than is the southern.

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A few hours in a comfortable car will land you into the heart of winter, the genuine, old-fashioned sort with good sleighing from December till March.

Instead of rubber-tired buggies and nerve-tiring automobiles you will find the sleigh, the bobsled and the saucy cutter, from which you can make your choice, and not at fancy figures.

It is worth the railroad fare up to the border land of Lake Erie just to get a fill of sleigh riding that is sleigh riding. You glide across levels, or hills and through woods to the patter of hoofs and the merry jingle of bells.

And then there is the country tavern and the farm house where you will always find a cheerful welcome, a warm fire and a hot bite to eat.

It beats buggy riding, coaching or autoing out of sight. And it is healthful, too, particularly for people from a section where the winters are a mixture of zero and spring weather, cold snaps followed by balmy breezes.

The balmy breezes are what plays the mischief with health in our particular section. Were the snow man to come and rule for a given time people would feel better. As it is he hardly gets settled until balmy breezes sneak up the Ohio valley and melt him all away, and then old grippe comes in for a revel.

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There is no better time to see the northland than just now, for it is wrapt in picturesque and peculiar beauty.

Have you ever been among the northern pines in winter?

If not you have missed one of the prettiest, most picturesque and altogether delightful scenes common to this fine country of ours. Great cones of snow tipped with evergreen rise skyward over vast stretches, each cone representing a pine tree.

Nor can the red-topped scrub oak be classed as common, or ordinary, with its topcoat of pure white snow as soft and glistening as ermine.

And none the less beautiful is the scene presented by tangled underbrush and vines. Being closely interwoven the snow rests on them as frost and rain rests on the spider's web. The effect is wonderful, pleasing, entrancing.

No southland scenes can excel with these in point of grandeur. The spirit of winter is everywhere, and with it comes hilarity, good cheer and good health.

This is northland's festival season, and festivities abound on every hand and all around. These are not of the sappy, summer sort, but hearty and snappy. Nor is the air oozy and languorish, but crisp and strenuous.

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Niagara falls in winter will prove to be an entirely new and entrancing sight to those who have seen them only in summer time, or to those who have never seen them at all.

In some respects the scenes around Niagara are more wonderful and beautiful in winter than in summer. And so great is the change that one cannot imagine it. To be grasped and appreciated it must be seen.

No pen can, nor brush, nor camera can picture the massive pillars of ice, the crystal spray, the bright rainbows, nor can words describe the crash and boom as great boulders of ice rush down the rapids and leap to the rocky depths below the falls, intensifying the jar of the waters, and accentuating the quiver of the solid earth on which you stand.

The clouds of frozen spray, pure frost, that are borne up by the circling winds envelop you in their icy folds and cover you with sparkling crystals.

Cold? Surely, but not too cold to be enjoyed really and truly for a time.

The snow scenes on the islands are really grand, while the frost work among the rocks beside the rapids, in which you can trace figures of men and animals, is simply marvelous.

The winds are cold, but without these it would not be northland with its wonderful snow and ice exhibits.

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The northland is the natural habitat of the snowshoe, the toboggan, the skate, the sleigh and the great bobsled. And there you will find these in abundance and to your heart's content.

Grand ice palaces, their towers rivaling those of world-famous buildings, are to be found in the cities beyond the lakes. And when lighted up with electricity, as is the magnificent palace in Montreal, the effect is overpowering. Ice crystals break electric light into perfect showers of various colored rays and strew fragments of rainbows everywhere.

Nowhere but in an ice palace can such bewildering effects of light be seen.

Why is it, then, that we who live on the borders of northland do not go there for health, recreation and entertainment?

No doubt it is largely, if not mainly, because we do not realize its peculiar adaptation to our needs. But we are coming more and more to this realization.

Some there are whom the colder climate does not suit, but as a rule those who suffer from catarrhal disorders peculiar to this section receive greater and more lasting benefits from a sojourn in northland than in southland.

Summer time is the time to visit the southland, for then it is at its very best, and yet not as hot and sultry as here, or even farther north, where the summer season is shorter and correspondingly hotter.

Good Advice from Kansas City.

In all cases where it is necessary for a street car conductor and a passenger, to fight about a fare or anything else, the car should be stopped and the combatants should get off and settle the matter in the street. It is hardly fair to the passengers not involved in the controversy to be compelled to suffer the annoyance and the possible danger of a savage and angry row, keeping up for a distance of four or five blocks, whether the sum in dispute is a nickel or a half dollar. In some way the innocent public should be protected from the unpleasant situations which may be created by irascible conductors and stupid and unreasonable passengers.—Kansas City Star.

IT IS TO SMILE.

"I understand your wife is quite literary."

"I should say so; she won a $10 prize from the Ladies' Own Journal with an article on 'How we managed to save enough in two years to move twice and pay the plumber for connecting the gas range.'"—Puck.

Bacon—Where do you suppose that 203-Meter hill got its name?

Egbert—Oh, I guess that's where the Port Arthur gas works are located.—Yonkers Statesman.

The man who is dissatisfied with his lot always thinks he has a lot to be dissatisfied about.—Somerville Journal.

"My boy is so impressionable," said the fond mother. "I'm puzzled in mapping out a career for him."

"Impressionable," replied her dearest friend "That's easy, make him a bank president."—New York Herald.

Officer—Can't you remember your papa's name? What does your mamma call him?

Lost Child—A lobster.—New York Sun.

Mr. Wise—I'm going to start you off with a bank account for a Christmas present.

Mrs. Wise—But, Charlie, dear, you forget that Christmas is a legal holiday and the banks will be closed. I won't be able to draw the money out until the next day!—Detroit Free Press.

The Nation's Capital

By L. W. STRAYER.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—One of the principal features of the ceremony of inaugurating a president of these United States is the inaugural ball. During the day that a chief executive is inducted into office there is a great parade of military and civic organizations, there is the formal ceremony of administering the oath in the presence of the multitude and there is the ceremony in the senate chamber. All of these are interesting and are a part of the great event. But in the evening of inauguration day the visiting thousands put on their dress clothes, hire cabs and drive to the inaugural ball to witness the crowning social event of the affair. I say the visiting thousands do this, for it is a fact attested by the old inhabitants of the capital, that with the exception of the officials whose presence is required out of respect for their chief, the residents of Washington pass by the ball. They leave that to the visitors as a rule.

Now, as a ball, this function is a decided "frost." For several inaugurations it has been held in the pension office and each time that building has been thronged with guests, each of whom has paid his $5 and probably as much more to hire a dilapidated "night liner" to haul him to the place. But the visitor usually gets his money's worth, for it is here that he is able to see the big people of official Washington and to get a view at comparatively close range of the president and his wife. Moreover he sees a magnificent spectacle of diplomats in gold braid and army and navy officers in resplendent uniforms.

Where Athletes Triumph.

The $5 that the guest pays entitles him to admission to the ball and to supper. Usually two small rooms are set aside for dancing and in them a very limited number of persons can indulge in terpsichorean pleasure. But the great majority of the guests prefer to promenade in the lobby and see the crowd and be seen. There is much crowding and tearing of gowns as may be imagined when several thousand persons gather together, but these discomforts must be endured.

If you are among the guests your ticket gives you the privilege of taking supper, as stated above, but it rests with you whether you will try to collect it. And it rests with your ability as a football player whether you will get it if you try to. For when you start for the supper room you will find that there are several thousand other persons heading in the same direction and that there are a few thousand others who are already in line waiting their turn to gain admission to the dining room. So if you are muscular and athletic, and if you have patience, you may be able to eventually get a nice supper. But the chances are that you will not wait. You will go hungry until you get back to your hotel, where you will welcome a cheese sandwich. At least that is the experience of many who have attended inaugural balls.

About 10 o'clock a space is cleared down through the lobby and the president and his wife march down the improvised aisle while the band plays "Hail to the Chief." The new president, after this triumphal procession, usually retires to a room set aside for his convenience and there sits and chats awhile with his suite and some of his personal friends, after which he goes back to the White House. Then there is a rush to get out and the rate of cab fare goes up to fabulous sums, for the inaugural ball always brings into requisition every four-wheeled vehicle that can be found. The guest who has paid his $5 for the privilege of being present is often glad to get out alive and whole and is satisfied to walk back to his hotel or take a common street car.

Committee Needs the Money.

And yet the committee in charge of the inauguration would not listen to a proposition to do away with the inaugural ball. It could not afford to do so, for the receipts from this function are expected to pay a large part of the expenses involved in the other features of the ceremony and they usually come up to these expectations. From 10,000 to 20,000 tickets are sold to this ball at $5 each, which nets a very tidy sum. For, be it known that the inauguration of a president is not a government affair, except that official portion that takes place in the capitol. All the rest, the parade, the spectacle on Capitol hill and the ball, are in the hands of the citizens of the District of Columbia.

A local committee is appointed, the chairman being designated by the chairman of the national committee of the political party that is victorious in the election, and this committee has charge of the details of the affair. It solicits from the residents of the district contributions to defray the expenses connected with the inauguration and it will be seen that the $50,000 or more that is derived from the inaugural ball is no small and insignificant factor in the whole business. Consequently it is safe to assume that the ball will continue to be one of the principal features of the induction of a new president into office, no matter how much officialdom scowls at it.

The question that has been agitated for some time is where the ball shall be held this year. It is still unsettled, although the capitol building seems to be most generally favored. That is considered the most available place from every standpoint. It was quite generally conceded as soon as the local committee got to work this year that the pension office must not longer be used for this purpose. Last inauguration two fires started in the building at different times during the progress of the ball, and while neither of them did any considerable damage, yet they impressed upon those in charge the danger from this source. The greatest danger was, of course, from a panic. If an alarm had been given and several thousand persons had started for the exits at the same time, a terrible catastrophe would have inevitably resulted.

But there was another danger which appealed strongly to the government officials and that was the possibility of the destruction of the records that are on file in the pension office. There are stored in the various bureaus of that office thousands of papers and records of the greatest importance and the loss of any considerable number of them would entail upon the government a great amount of work and confusion. Moreover, the damage to the building and the work of preparing it for the ball with that of setting it to rights after the inauguration, proved an obstacle to the business of that department that was very annoying.

Have Not Secured a Hall.

While casting about for a proper place to hold this function, someone conceived the brilliant idea of having it in the congressional library building. It was argued that sufficient space could be cleared in the large rooms of this building to accommodate the dancers and to provide for a supper room, while the great marble entrance hall would prove a very comfortable promenade. But there was a terrible howl of protest at this proposition from all over the district and from other parts of the country. The library is the great pride of the country, being the finest public building in America, if not in the world. The building alone cost the government $6,347,000 and to turn loose in its sculptured corridors with their beautiful decorations a promiscuous crowd of several thousand persons on an occasion of this kind, would be to invite irreparable damage to it.

Then it was suggested that the ball be held in the capitol building, the argument being that there would be little chance of damage to it and that the efficient police and fire forces of that building would be ample protection to the crowds that would attend. And it was stated that as many rooms could be placed at the disposal of the committee as were desired, while the big rotunda would be available for the promenade. This seemed the best proposition yet submitted, but congress has not yet adopted it. Today a resolution proposing the pension office, the library and the capitol buildings, from which congress could take its choice, was submitted to the house and failed. Thus the question is left open until the next day for the consideration of District of Columbia affairs and by that time some general agreement may be reached.

Two Adventuresses.

Naturally, Therese Humbert comes to mind, when the talk of Mrs. Chadwick's financial feats, and indeed the parallel is close between the Gascon Mlle. Daurignac and the Canadian country girl Betty Bigley. Both were born of the farmer class, and carried always a kind of rusticity that disarmed suspicion of their real character as adventuresses. Therese Daurignac boasted of her father's "Portuguese estate," and raised money on the rumor of a wealthy marriage; Betty Bigley, also of school girl age, had printed on her cards "Heiress to $15,000," and actually floated notes for a few hundreds.—New York Evening Post.

NAN PATTERSON TELLS HER TALE

Declares Dramatically She Did Not Shoot Her Lover, "Caesar" Young.

MAKES STRONG IMPRESSION

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Nan Patterson's own story of the shooting of Caesar Young was the feature of today's session of the criminal branch of the supreme court. Judge, jury and spectators listened with breathless attention to the low voice of the girl as she related the events leading up to the tragedy, and told of the beginning of her intimacy with Young. The story of the shooting she told in a straight-forward manner.

After leaving the saloon at Bleecker street and West Broadway, where both she and Young had a drink, she said they re-entered the cab. She sat on the right side, or, as she expressed it, "with my right shoulder against his left shoulder."

"There was a silence for a moment," she said, "and then Caesar said: 'Nan, are you coming over to meet me, or are you going to quit me?'

"I said, 'What do you mean?' He said: 'Nan, I'm not feeling good. Aren't you coming over to meet me?'

"I told him I thought it would be best to wait until things died down—that it would be better to wait until he came back.

"'What!' he said, 'and not see you maybe for three months? I've lost my money and now I'm going to lose my girl.'

"He grabbed me by the arm and pulled me against him. He hurt me terribly. I struggled to get away, and then—then—it happened."

The girl was silent for a moment. Her lips trembled.

"Did you have the pistol in your hand?" asked Mr. Levy.

"I hadn't seen any pistol," replied the witness.

"Was the pistol in Young's hands?"

"I had not seen the pistol. Mr. Young fell over my lap; got half way up, fell again. He kept twitching and twitching. I called to him, and tried to make him answer, but he would not.

An Unsteady Denial.

"Nan," said Mr. Levy, "look me in the eye. Did you shoot Caesar Young?"

"I hadn't any pistol," replied the girl, nervously.

"Nan," continued Mr. Levy, "tell this jury did you or did you not shoot Caesar Young?"

She threw her head high and spoke with more emotion than she had shown previously.

"I did not," she said, "and if it were in my own power to bring him back I would sacrifice my own life to do so."

Throughout her ordeal the young woman's eyes were filled with an inscrutable calm, half somnolence, half resignation. She looked neither at judge nor jury, but kept her gaze on that of her attorney, steadily and unblinkingly.

The prisoner denied she knew about or had ever seen the letter addressed to Young, and alleged to have been written by her sister, Mrs. Julia Smith. The writer declared Miss Patterson might do Young an injury and that she was half crazed.

On the other hand Miss Patterson testified that as a result of her conference with Young, it was agreed she should join him in England, and take apartments in the Hotel Cecil, London, taking care that she keep her whereabouts a complete secret from Mrs. Young and Young's relatives. An important feature brought out was the fact that Young gave the woman a postal card on which he wrote her name and address, saying it was something she might need.

She Tries an Alibi.

Miss Paterson told of her talk with Young the night before his proposed departure for Southampton, of her being awakened by a telephonic message from him to go to the pier to see him off, of the ride down town, of the moments in a saloon and of the ride in the cab before the shooting.

Coming down to June 3, on the night of which "Caesar" Young met his death, Miss Patterson told of going out to the Gravesend race track at Young's request. She said she remained with him there until after the sixth race, getting back to the city and to her sister at 6:15 o'clock.

The defense laid great stress on this part of the testimony inasmuch as the revolver with which Young is alleged to have been killed was said by the prosecution to have been purchased at Pawnbroker Hyman Stern's place shortly before 6 o'clock that night by Smith, Miss Patterson's brother-in-law, accompanied by the actress.

Young Didn't Strike Her.

Miss Patterson also denied she was in Pabst's restaurant the night of the tragedy. Said Mr. Levy:

"You heard Joseph Hewitt testify that you came out of that restaurant with a man; that a cab stood by; that he said 'You must' that you said 'I won't,' and that he struck you in the face? Is that true?"

Miss Patterson told of her meeting that night with Young and denied she quarreled with Young and cried, and that Young struck her.

"Did you say you would prevent him from taking passage on the boat?" she was asked.

"No," she answered.

The defense early in the day introduced as a witness of the shooting Milton W. Hazleton, an old man from Oneonta, N. Y. He testified that on the morning of June 4 he saw the cab containing Young and Miss Patterson approaching him on West Broadway. He stopped as he noticed a struggle, saw the hands of both raised high in the air and grappling at something. Then Miss Patterson's hands dropped toward her lap, there was a flash from Young's hands about four inches from his face, a report rang out, and Young fell forward in Miss Patterson's lap. Her hands fell on him.

Hazleton's testimony was listened to by the earl of Suffolk, fiance of Miss Daisy Leiter, who occupied a seat on the bench with Justice Davis.

Mr. Hazleton is 78 years old. Mr. Rand on cross examination could not shake him.

It was clear that Hazelton's testimony, and the story told by Miss Patterson made a great impression on the jury. At the end of Mr. Levy's examination of Miss Patterson, Mr. Rand announced he could not possibly finish his cross examination by 5 o'clock, so Justice Davis adjourned court until 10:30 tomorrow morning when Miss Patterson will go on the stand again.

PLAGUE WAS CARRIED BY GARMENTS OF FUR

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—The governor of Viatka reports a serious outbreak of Siberian plague in factories in the districts of Viatka and Slobodski, which are preparing fur coats for the troops in Manchuria. Two hundred and forty-seven cases have already been reported. The plague has been traced to sheepskins, and the delivery of fur garments to the troops has been suspended.

TWO RAILROADERS KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION

DAVENPORT, IA., Dec. 19.—Engineer M. Cathoun and Fireman H. Kinney were killed by the explosion near here of the boiler of a big locomotive drawing a Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific freight train.

Democrats Failed to Meet.

The committee on rules of the Democratic party of Allegheny did not meet last night because of the lack of a quorum. James McKay and Robert Beck were the only members who reported at the city assessors' office. McKay said the rules in vogue in Pittsburgh would be adopted, with a few amendments. Another meeting has been called for Friday night.

King Signs Spanish-American Treaty.

MADRID, Dec. 19.—King Alfonso has signed a decree authorizing Senor Ojeda, the Spanish minister at Washington, to sign the arbitration treaty with America. The king today signified his consent to the establishment of a Spanish-American college in Madrid.

Minister Received from Pittsburgh Classis.

EASTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The East Pennsylvania classis of the Reformed church in session here today received the Rev. Paul S. Leinbach from the Pittsburgh classis and appointed a committee to install him pastor of the First Reformed church of Easton on January 4.

GOULDS ABANDON EASTERN PROJECT

In Return They Get Full Access to Pittsburgh from the West.

DETAILS OF THE COMPROMISE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU.
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.

While full details of the settlement of differences between Pennsylvania and Gould interests are not available, the main features are the Gould roads shall be given full facilities for entrance to Pittsburgh from the west, and that Gould lines shall have an eastern outlet without adding to the number of roads already in existence.

Western Maryland, and West Virginia Central & Pittsburgh, the principal lines which were to figure in the proposed Gould route from Pittsburgh to Baltimore, will be taken over by some of the Pennsylvania controlled companies, the former probably by Baltimore & Ohio, and the latter by either Norfolk & Western or the Pennsylvania company. The Wabash, which has now an entrance into Pittsburgh for passenger traffic, will be allowed full facilities at Pittsburgh for the transaction of freight business between that city and the territory beyond. The Goulds will permanently abandon their project for a line east from Pittsburgh, and Pennsylvania will be left in undisturbed possession of the business between that city and the Atlantic seaboard.

Authoritative statements have recently been made that the Goulds will soon have a system extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and this is true, though the eastern portion of that system will not lie through Pittsburgh, and will not add to the number of lines already in existence. It may be stated, then, that the Goulds have secured a substantial interest, and will be the dominant factor in the Erie railroad, although the interests of the other trunk lines will be so protected that in the event of the Gould policy in Erie at any time threatening to disturb the peace of the trunk line affairs, these other interests combined would be sufficient to restrain the execution of Gould plans.

It will be seen that in this scheme the entrance of the Goulds into trunk line territory will bring them into competition not only with Pennsylvania, but with New York Central, Lackawanna and the other trunk lines; so the effect will not fall heavily on any one system. As the increased competition will be almost entirely on through business, its effect on eastern lines generally should not be very great.

FOUR BURNED TO DEATH ON OIL-LADEN BARGE

Gas Explosion Communicated to Tank Holding 1,000,000 Gallons of Petroleum.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—By an explosion and the burning of 1,000,000 gallons of petroleum on a Standard Oil Company's barge at sea off Long Branch, N. J., Sunday afternoon, four men were burned to death.

THE DEAD.

CAPT. G. P. STOKES.
A. SALE, engineer
AL BRANDT, fireman.
THOMAS JOHNSON, sailor.

Four survivors of the crew of the burned barge were brought to this port, and are in a hospital suffering from burns.

The steel barge No. 91 and another barge were in tow of a tug bound for Philadelphia and were off Long Branch at 3 p. m. Sunday. Something interfered with the flow of water from the fresh tank, and Engineer Sale and Fireman Brandt went below to investigate. An explosion of gas followed. It lifted the after deck of the barge, and set fire to the after hold.

The tank holding the petroleum was 40 feet forward of where the fire started, but the flames jumped this space in a twinkling. Within a few minutes the barge was ablaze from stem to stern.

The tug Standard, which had the barges in tow, went alongside the burning barge and took off four seamen, but the blaze had spread so fast the others could not be rescued.

MISS FAY STILL DRAWS.

Her Remarkable Engagement Began Its Fifth Week at the Avenue Theater Yesterday Afternoon.

Anna Eva Fay yesterday at the Avenue theater commenced the fifth week of her wonderful engagement in Pittsburgh. The matinee yesterday afternoon was attended by a typical holiday crowd of mothers, sisters and sweethearts who asked all kinds of questions from domestic tragedies down to innocent love pranks.

Miss Fay was in excellent condition yesterday, both during the afternoon and evening performance, and in spite of the large crowds, which she says sometimes fatigue her, she managed to answer nine-tenths of the questions.

The Yuletide tradition as to bad theatrical business does not seem to effect Miss Fay. The attendance at the Avenue yesterday was larger than for the same day of the previous week, and the advance sale is unusually large.

CZAR'S CONSENT NEEDED.

U. S. Embassy Will Not Be Permitted to Communicate Personally With Japanese Prisoners.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—The war office has informed the American embassy that no one will be allowed to communicate in person with the Japanese prisoners at the village of Medvid, province of Novgorod, without imperial authorization. The Japanese minister at Berlin has therefore been notified of all the facts, and the American embassy has decided to be governed by his wishes in the matter. If he requests imperial permission it will be asked.

The American embassy at St. Petersburg received a letter signed by 68 Japanese officers who are prisoners at Medvid, asking the embassy to send a representative there. No reason for the request was assigned.

Coal and Iron Policeman Sentenced.

BEAVER, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Joseph Finler, alias "Spanish Bob," alias Robert Gray, formerly of Allegheny, who was convicted of manslaughter last June for killing Frank Johnston at the Rochester tumbler works, where Finler was a coal and iron policeman and Johnston a striker, was sentenced to two years and six months in the penitentiary by Judge J. Sharp Wilson today.

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HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

PRESIDENT IS GREATEST STATESMAN ON EARTH

The Rev. Charles Wagner So Declares to His Congregation in Paris.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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PARIS, Dec. 19.—The Rev. Charles Wagner, author of "The Simple Life," preached Sunday afternoon to a large congregation at his chapel in the Rue de L'Arquebusier. His humble flock was greatly interested in the pastor's estimate of President Roosevelt. He said:

"I find President Roosevelt a man of lofty ideals, simple but high purposes as president of the United States. I believe he is the greatest statesman on earth today. Our statesmen in France have no conception of the difficulties with which he has to contend. Here our leaders deal only with one race, but in America the lawgivers meet in a week men of more nations than are met here in a year. From all quarters of the globe these men go to America and become Americans, and it is such people, conflicting in their needs and desires, that Theodore Roosevelt is called upon to govern, and for whom he must suggest and enforce laws. His task, therefore, is more difficult than the task of any ruler in Europe and the way in which he has acquitted himself stamps him as the world's greatest statesman."

DISGUSTED WITH BALTIMORE.

President Murray Says Apathy of Its Citizens May Cause Removal of Headquarters to Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The general offices of the Baltimore & Ohio, and the greater part of its warehouses, may be removed from Baltimore to Philadelphia. President Oscar G. Murray is said to be disgusted with the stand taken toward his company by the citizens and municipal authorities of the Maryland city. He is quoted as having said:

"If the city of Baltimore does not desire the Baltimore & Ohio to continue its expenditures for improvements here, we are ready to pack up and get out."

NEGROES STRUCK BECAUSE WHITE MAN WAS EMPLOYED

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., Dec. 19.—Because a white man has been employed as a professional attendant in one of the bath houses here, the negro attendants went on strike and demanded the white man be discharged. This demand was denied and the places of the negroes were quickly filled.

WINDOW GLASS FACTORY WILL RUN FULL BLAST

HARTFORD CITY, IND., Dec. 19.—Fires have been started under the new tank of the American Window Glass Company's No. 3 plant, and the factory soon will be in full operation. The plant has been operating half capacity for several months, on account of the shortage of gas.

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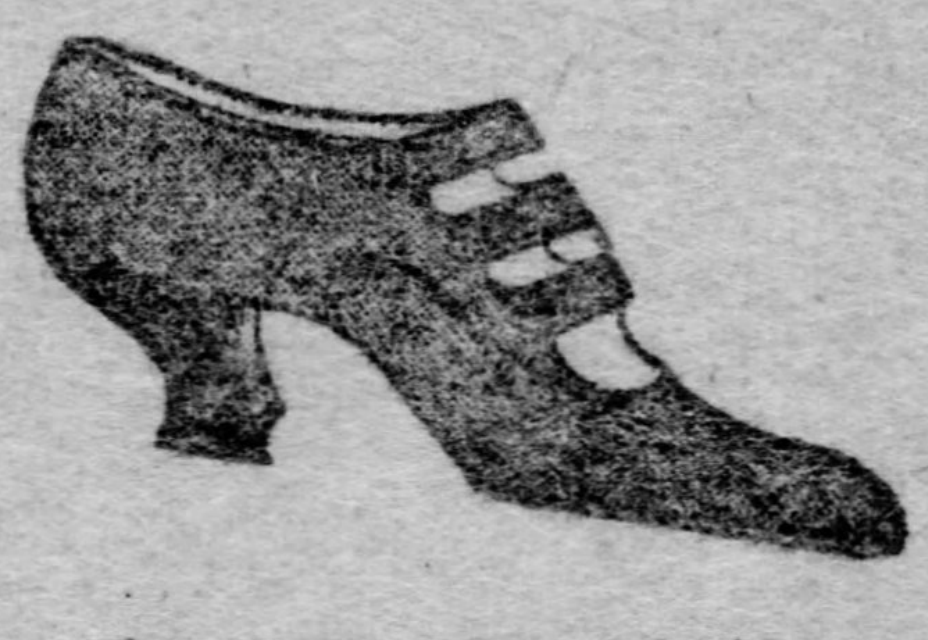

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Ladies' and Gents' Silk Umbrellas in natural, stick and fancy handles, from........$1.25 to $5.00
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Linen Dresser Scarfs..25c to $1.00
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WAISTS Knit Golf Blouses—White, Red, Black, $1.75.

Fine collection Evening Waists, $10.00 to $50.00.

CLOTHING Men's New Hand Tailored Black Undressed Worsted Raincoats—Advance Spring Style—Silk Lined Sleeves and Shoulders, $20.00.

Broken line Boys' $5.00 All-Wool Eton and Sailor Collar Suits, $3.50.

CHILDREN'S Children's $2.00 to $3.00 Eider Bath Robes in Two Lots, $1.00 and $1.50.

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Next Week—GIRLS WILL BE GIRLS.

FIRE DESTROYS A $25,000 ORGAN

First Presbyterian Church Loses Valuable Instrument, Ready for Shipment.

YEAR TO BUILD ANOTHER

Because the $25,000 pipe organ for the new First Presbyterian church was burned in a fire at Boston, just as it was ready for shipment, and because it will take one year to build another one like it, the new edifice will be dedicated, probably on Easter Sunday, with the instrumental portion of the musical program fingered, pedaled and pumped out of the old organ of the Point Breeze Presbyterian church, which is now being discarded by the East End church, in order to make room for a new organ.

The organ ordered by the trustees of the new First church, nearly two years ago, was one of the finest procurable and was specially designed for the congregation. The instrument was but recently finished by a Boston concern. The day previous to the one when it was to have been shipped the establishment caught fire and the organ, together with many others, was totally destroyed. The monetary loss will devolve entirely upon the organ makers, as the trustees of the First Presbyterian church made the wise provision, in making the contract with the firm, that the organ was to be paid for as soon as it was installed.

While present plans indicate that the new church will be dedicated on Easter Sunday, the dedication will not be delayed for that day if the church can be completed before that time. It is believed that the chapel will be ready for occupancy on February 1, and the congregation will take possession of it at the earliest possible moment.

USES OF THE ESSAY.

Nathaniel Butler Discribes Them in His Closing Lecture of the University Extension Course.

Nathaniel Butler, A. M., of Chicago, delivered his sixth and last lecture in the University Extension course at the Conservatory of Music last evening on "The Essay as a Form of Literature." Mr. Butler said:

This species of prose has been made famous by such writers as Francis Bacon, Charles Lamb, Sidney Smith, Emerson, Holmes, Lowell, John Burroughs. The essay is "talk in print," bright ideas on familiar subjects. Its germ may be found in early proverbs and sayings, and its origin in the general impulse to talk about whatever interests us. The essay has exerted an influence second to that of no other form of literature. Addison, through the "Spectator," revolutionized the morals of English society in his time, and Emerson, Holmes, Lowell and Curtis have done much to fix our own moral and social standards. The great editors and preachers are essentially essayists, and by their interpretations of life they correct our false and senseless thinking in politics, education and religion.

The second course of lectures on "Growth of Representative Government in the United States" will be delivered by Simeon Davison Fess, M. A., commencing Monday evening, January 9.

UNKNOWN GIRL WAS MURDERED ON MOUNTAIN

COLORADO SPRINGS, COL., Dec. 19.—That the young woman who was found dead on Cutler mountain Saturday was murdered, was proven by the postmortem examination today. The removal of her matted hair and scalp revealed a wound in the head, and resulted in the recovery of a bullet. There is absolutely no clue to the identity of the girl.

Woman's Stocking Pulled Down.

A woman rushed out of 467 Water street yesterday and asked Policeman John Meehan to arrest a man whom she pointed out, saying he had stolen money from her. Meehan locked him up as a suspicious person. The woman said he rang the bell, was admitted into the house, threw her on the floor, pulled down her stockings and stole 34 silver dollars concealed therein. The man says he is Frank Everett, 37 years old, of Rochester, Pa., and guiltless of the outrage described.

The Death Roll.

John M. Brownson.

John M. Brownson, aged 59, for many years an official of the Schoenberger Steel Company, died yesterday morning at the Allegheny General hospital of liver trouble, after an illness of over two weeks. He was a son of the Rev. James I. Brownson and was born in Greensburg. Shortly after leaving college he came to Pittsburgh and entered the employ of a steel company. He was a widower and for the last 10 years made his home at the Seventh Avenue hotel. He is survived by a son, Merle, who is at school in the east; two brothers, the Rev. Marcus A. Brownson of Philadelphia and James I. Brownson of Washington, Pa., and four sisters, Mrs. Henry Whitehill of Anaconda, Mont.; Mrs. Edwin Lufton of Washington, Pa., Mrs. James Taylor of Philadelphia and Miss Mary Brownson of Washington, Pa. Mr. Brownson was a member of the First Presbyterian church, Pittsburgh. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. today at 1 Wheeler avenue, Allegheny.

Josiah Gamble.

Josiah Gamble, aged 66, died suddenly of heart disease yesterday morning at his home, 831 Martin avenue, Allegheny. He was a member of Col. J. B. Clark post 162, Grand Army of the Republic; Industry lodge 25, Ancient Order United Workmen, and Manchester council 124, Junior Order United American Mechanics. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mollie Gamble, one daughter, Mrs. Margaret L. Herd, and two sons, Joseph H. and William E. Gamble. He was a member of the First Christian church, Allegheny.

Mrs. Elizabeth Huhn.

Mrs. Elizabeth Huhn, aged 75, widow of Valentine Huhn, died Sunday night at the home of her son, Charles A. Huhn, 26 Fifth street, Aspinwall. She was a resident of Sharpsburg for over half a century and about six months ago removed to Aspinwall. Besides her son she is survived by a daughter, Sister Antonia, a member of the Order of the Sisters of Divine Providence, at present stationed at Tarentum. Funeral services will be held over the remains at St. Mary's church, Sharpsburg, at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

Obituary Notes.

Henry S. Trageser, aged 32, died early yesterday morning at his home, 56 Lilliah street, Allentown. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lena Trageser.

The body of Mrs. Henrietta Voelkler, aged 71, will be sent this morning from McKeesport to Monongahela. Deceased is survived by five children, all of whom live in Monongahela.

D. T. Ruth, who had long been connected with the Buckeye Engine Company of Salem, O., died yesterday. He was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1848, and moved to Salem 35 years ago. He was formerly in business at New Castle, Pa.

Mrs. Martha Brown Ricketts died this morning at the home of her son, Prof. J. C. Ricketts, at Slippery Rock, aged 82. Mrs. Ricketts was a member of the United Presbyterian church. She is survived by these children: Prof. J. C. Ricketts, Slippery Rock; the Rev. J. B. Ricketts, Wilmerding, and W. O. Ricketts, Portland, Ore. Two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth McKnight and Miss Mary Brown of Lawrence county, also survive.

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Christmas Dinner Incomplete without McCann's turkeys, ducks and chickens. Famous creamery and strictly fresh eggs. 401-410 Market street.

PAINTINGS IN CARNEGIE GALLERIES (No. 18)

"TRISTAN, FURNITURE PAINTER," by Christoffel Bisschop.

In North Gallery, West Hall, Catalogue Number 31.

With the passing away in November of Christoffel Bisschop, the well-known Holland artist, the world has lost a singularly lovable old man. Although 70 years old and of a somewhat frail build, he was so full of life and activity, with such a hearty handclasp, so cheery a voice, as to convey no impression of old age, despite his snowy hair. He had the bright enthusiasm of a very young man and a grace of manner which instantly made the stranger at ease. In his charming villa, "Frisia," set in a park with other attractive villas, on the old Scheveningen road, on the outskirts of the delightful city of The Hague, he lived surrounded by artistic treasures of all kinds, and here he painted his pictures, the subjects almost always Frisian peasants, in the quaint costumes and with the settings of their kind of his native province of Friesland. An occasional still life picture was more to indulge his fancy, to vary his subject, and several of these pictures hang on the walls of his home.

It will be remembered that Mr. Bisschop was one of the Holland artists who received a bronze medal at the St. Louis exposition.

SLATTERY ON TEACHERS' SALARY COMMISSION

Has Been Chosen by the Principals of the City to Represent Them.

Francis A. Slattery will represent the principals of the city schools on the teachers' salary commission. He is at the head of the Riverside school.

Mr. Slattery was elected yesterday at a meeting of the principals. He received 22 votes and his opponent, Miss Nannie Mackrell, received 16 votes. The commission is now complete and consists of Samuel Andrews, superintendent of city schools; Edward Rynearson, director of the High school; W. D. McFarland, head of the academic department of the High school; Miss Jane Ralston, head of the normal department of the High school, and Francis A. Slattery, representative of the principals.

The principals organized by the election of G. W. Kratz, president, and T. D. Sensor, secretary. D. L. Gillespie, president of the central board of education, had expected he would be allowed the courtesy of calling the body to order and explaining the purpose of the meeting. But it was not until the organization had been perfected that he was called in and he then told the principals he thought the action discourteous. In discussing the method to be adopted by the commission to determine the fitness of a teacher to receive a higher salary, Mr. Gillespie went on record as opposing a written examination. He also told the principals he intended to work with the members of the legislature to secure the passage of a bill pensioning teachers.

Prof. John Golden declared against the proposed plan of the central board for increasing salaries. He offered a motion that all teachers who have permanent certificates have received the indorsement of their local boards and principal, and have taught seven years, be permitted to receive the $900 salary. Action on the proposition was postponed until the next meeting of the principals.

WALLACE'S CONTRIBUTION.

Police Superintendent Unearths Scores of Toys Derived from Raids and Donates Them to Mission.

Maj. R. W. A. Simmons' toy mission was made the richer yesterday by a wagonload of toys presented by Superintendent of Police Wallace. The superintendent found the toys stored away in the property clerk's room. They were of all varieties, worth from 5 cents up to $2. Among them were mechanical toys of every description, automobiles, club swingers, policemen, jumping pigs and flying potato bugs. There were hobby horses, wagons, carts, doll baby carriages and a mechanical piano player.

It was first intended to take the playthings over in a patrol wagon, but policemen and others employed about the public safety building, aided by Simmons' helpers, carried them by the armful until all had been deposited in the building at Sixth avenue and Grant street. The toys have been accumulating for two years, the result of raids on fakirs operating without licenses.

PRESENT PETITION FOR THIEL

J. Boyd Duff Asks Westmoreland Court to Allow Removal of College to Greensburg.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—J. Boyd Duff, a member of the Allegheny county bar, presented a petition in Judge W. L. Doty's court this afternoon, asking that a consolidation or merger be permitted of Thiel college of Greenville, Mercer county, and the Educational Society of Westmoreland county.

The petition sets forth that it is the desire of the Pittsburgh synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church, in union with the general council of the Church of North America, that Thiel college be removed from Greenville to Greensburg. The name selected for the consolidation is "Thiel College and Greensburg Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran church."

WABASH HONORS MEMORY OF A FORMER PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—All offices of the Wabash Railroad Company where it was possible to do so, were closed at 1 p. m. today and all work on the road and in its shops was stopped at 1 o'clock for 10 minutes, in respect to the memory of C. D. Ashley, former president of the company, who died in this city last Friday.

To Lead Baptists to London.

At the meeting of the Baptist Ministerial association, yesterday, the Rev. Alonzo R. Stark, pastor of the Oakland Baptist church, was appointed tourist leader to the Baptist world's congress to be held in London, July 3-10, next year. Mr. Stark will not only be at the head of the local delegation, but in all probability will be in charge of the whole party of delegates from the United States.

McKeesport Teachers Resign.

Resignations from teachers in the McKeesport public schools continue to pour in on the board of school controllers. Yesterday Secretary C. P. Fledlar received the resignation of Miss Margaret White. No reason was given. The resignation of Miss Elizabeth Kenmuir will also take effect next Friday. This will use up the reserve and a new list will have to be secured as more resignation are rumored.

Told of Trip to Coast.

Attorney J. W. Kinnear of Pittsburgh addressed the Men's club of the Braddock Methodist Episcopal church last evening, giving an account of his trip to California last May to attend the general conference of the church. A musical program was provided and refreshments were served.

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DYNAMITERS' WORK IS OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE

Only a Few Feet of Many Miles of Pipe Line Affected by Efforts of Enraged Kansans.

"I have no doubt that by this time the damage to the pipe line of the Kansas Natural Gas Company has been repaired."

This statement was made by an officer of the company yesterday afternoon concerning the blowing up of the pipe by masked Kansans who were trying to prevent the piping of the gas out of Independence county and the state of Kansas.

"Their first efforts were directed through the courts. They found they had not a leg to stand on there, and now they have made this illegal attempt to hurt the line. It strengthens our case in court," said the officer.

The word received at the general offices of the company yesterday showed that at three road crossings the line had been dynamited. Only a few feet of the 20 miles of line in the county could be hurt by this action. There is no gas in the lines as yet.

About 70 miles of the new line is now laid and work is being advanced rapidly under the personal direction of General Manager J. C. McDowell of Pittsburgh.

LEARNED OF BABYLONIA.

Allegheny Republican City Committee Listened to Address Which Did Not Deal With Practical Politics.

The regular weekly meeting of the Republican city committee of Allegheny was held last night at the headquarters in East Diamond street. The Rev. Dr. J. W. McClennahan of the Allegheny Theological seminary made an interesting address, having no stated subject, but speaking on rare discoveries made in Egypt. The talk was decidedly entertaining and brought before the audience a knowledge of the work being done for the purpose of clearing up disputed questions in secular and biblical history.

The story of the unearthing of a large number of Babylonian letters in Egypt was told briefly, and the value of these tablets, both to historians and to biblical students, was explained. One of these tablets was exhibited and the strange figures on its surface were translated and made intelligible to those present. Its message dealt with trouble in Egypt during the eighteenth dynasty, some years prior to the exodus of the children of Israel from 7gypt. The commiEttee expressed its appreciation in a vote of thanks tendered to Dr. McClennahan at the conclusion of the talk.

J. R. P. BROWN IS HONORED.

Nebraska's Governor Appoints Him Delegate to National Forestry Congress.

J. R. P. Brown, brother of the late city recorder, J. O. Brown, has been appointed a delegate to the national congress of forestry, to be held in Washington, January 2-6, by Gov. Mickey of Nebraska.

Mr. Brown is a large property owner out west, one of his ranches containing 900 acres. Besides being a practical farmer and cattle breeder he reads and was one of the first in this country to learn of and profit by the use of green rape as a cattle food. He is an advocate of tree planting on the western prairies and has been steadily setting out trees on his lands. It is expected that on his trip to the forestry congress he will come to Pittsburgh. Coroner Jesse M. McGeary is his nephew. Mr. Brown is now in Pierre, South Dakota, on business.

KING SENT TO JAIL.

Baltimore Youth, in Love With Actress, Imprisoned on Two Charges.

E. Edward King, the Baltimore youth who is alleged to have come here to kill Frances Hill, an actress, 15 years older than he, was committed to jail by Magistrate Stewart yesterday, in default of $500 bail, on the charge of carrying concealed weapons. He said he had embezzled money to support the woman and that she had left him when his money gave out.

After the magistrate had given his decision the woman, accompanied by a man, went to Magistrate McMasters office and swore out a warrant charging King with surety of the peace. She said she was afraid King would kill her. King says he still loves the woman.

INITIATED CANDIDATES.

Theta Nu Epsilon Met to Take in More Members.

The Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity of the Western University of Pennsylvania, last night at the Hotel Colonial, imparted the mysteries of the organization to several candidates. The event was interesting, as special arrangements were made to have the initiation impressive.

This Greek letter fraternity is among the prosperous ones in this section, and when any candidates appear for initiation the members of the fraterinity gather to have a jovial time. Following the ceremonies there was a dinner, during which some interesting undergraduate stories were told.

WANAMAKER BUYS MUMMY AND OTHER OLD THINGS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—The sale of the Egyptian anthropological exhibit at the world's fair was announced today. John Wanamaker of Philadelphia purchased half the exhibit, which included an ancient sarcophagus and a mummy (200 B. C.) for the Philadelphia museum. The price paid for the exhibits aggregated about $70,000.

Engineer Wallace Back in Colon.

COLON, Dec. 19.—The United States cruiser Dixie returned here Saturday evening from Jamaica, bringing John F. Wallace, the engineer in charge of the Panama canal construction; Joseph W. Lee, secretary of the American legation at Panama, and Claude C. Mallett, the British consul at Panama.

LIQUOR DEALERS EXPECT A FIGHT

They Are Preparing to Battle at Harrisburg With the Anti-Saloon League.

HOTEL MEN WANT PRIVILEGES

The liquor dealers of the state are preparing for a fight at Harrisburg this winter. The chief battle will be made against the Anti-Saloon league accomplishing the passage of any prohibitory legislation. At the same time the hotel men of Pittsburgh will endeavor to secure an act that will permit them to serve guests until 2 o'clock in the morning, a privilege now allowed in the eastern cities of the state.

The liquor dealers are afraid the league will try to have a law similar to the Brannock prohibitory act of Ohio put on the statute books of this state. At present all effort of the dealers' organization is being concentrated against this proposed legislation. So far there has been no attempt made to draft or radically change the Brooks high license act. From present indications the brewers of the state are satisfied with the existing laws.

The hotel men of the state have an organization and want some legislation. In Pittsburgh proprietors of the big hotels and cafes claim the present order of the court compelling the closing of the bars at 11:45 p. m. is causing a heavy loss in business from theater parties. The good "feeders," as they are termed, now go to the clubs.

In large cities in the eastern part of the state the courts do not fix an early closing hour and the guests of the hotels can be served with refreshments at any time. In Philadelphia the hotel men want the privilege of providing their patrons with liquors on Sunday. It is understood Pittsburgh will not request this legislation.

Officers of the Anti-Saloon league deny they intend to ask for a duplication of the Brannock law. They will push the same bill they had before the legislature the last time. It provides that 40 per cent of the voters of a locality can secure the privilege of voting on the question of granting licenses by petitioning the quarter sessions court. The election shall be held at the general election, either in February or November.

FALLS ON ICY PAVEMENTS.

Broken Bones Are Numerous and Hospitals Get Several Cases.

Broken bones and injuries from falls due to ice were numerous yesterday and several severe cases were cared for at the hospitals. D. P. Covert, a carpenter living in Mifflin street, Homestead, fell near his home and sustained a fractured hip. He was taken to the South Side hospital and is in a serious condition.

Mrs. Mary Stack of No. 3413 Ligonier street, fell in front of her home and broke both arms.

S. Fidel of Moon Run fell in Rebecca street, Allegheny, and fractured his left ankle. He is at the Allegheny General hospital.

Morris Gross of No. 1214 Magee street slipped from the step of a Bloomfield car at Penn avenue and Thirty-seventh street last evening and sustained a number of severe scalp wounds and bruises.

Joseph Kiefer, who engineers a hot waffle wagon, fell out of his wagon at Penn avenue and Thirty-fourth street and sustained a badly gashed arm. After Dr. J. W. Clark dressed his injury he was lodged in No. 5 police station on a charge of drunkenness and the hot waffle outfit was taken in charge by his partner.

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THREE, ALSO, ARE MISSING

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

ASHLAND, KY., Dec. 19.—Four more men have been added to the list of six dead, and two others are reported dying, from the effects of wood alcohol poisoning at the mouth of Beaver river, at Big Sandy. Three others of the party are missing.

THE DEAD:

CAPT. HENRY SPRIGGS.
FIELD and SHADE DANIELS, Muddy Branch.
SAM HARMON.
HENRY SPENCER.
CURTIS ADAMS, Magoffin county.
HENRY SALMONS.
TOM SALMONS.
IKE DeROSSETT.
JOHN GOBLE.

Three push boats, with a crew of 17 men were en route to Pikeville, the boats being loaded with freight. At the mouth of the Beaver, five miles above Prestonburg, two of the boats sank, and the men swam and waded ashore with much of the freight. A jug of wood alcohol was one of the articles saved.

It was dark, and the men were chilled and wet. Fires were built and supper started. A man came along and sold them four bottles of moonshine whisky. They drank the whisky and wanted more. One man said:

"Let's drink the alcohol." Another said: "It will kill us; see the poison label." One of the crew began mixing drinks and said: "Come on; let's us have our Christmas now. If it's poison we'll all die together."

They drank the stuff, and while at supper they became violently ill. Two doctors were called but could not relieve them.

PLAGUE BREAKS OUT.

Japanese Troops Are Afflicted With a Scourge Resembling the Bubonic.

HUANSHAN, Dec. 19.—It is reported that a new form of sickness has broken out among the Japanese, resembling the bubonic plague.

The intense cold of the last few days has obliged the Japanese to abandon some of their advance posts, and consequently Russian scouts have been able to raid clear to the Japanese main positions. A Japanese observation balloon was seen today reconnoitering the Russian front.

DIED.

ANDERSON—On Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 5 p. m., at her home, 1108 Brown street, Allegheny, EMILY ANDERSON, wife of Gust. Anderson, in her 41st year.

Funeral from her late residence on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

BROCKUNIER—On Monday afternoon, December 19, at 2:20 o'clock, MARY E., wife of C. W. Brockunier, at her residence, 50 Sheridan avenue, Bellevue.

Funeral services will be held this evening at 8 o'clock. Interment private Wednesday at 2 o'clock p. m.

BROWNSON—On December 19, at 3 a. m., JOHN M. BROWNSON, aged 59 years.

Funeral this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at No. 1 Wheeler avenue, Allegheny. Interment private.

GALBRAITH—On Monday, December 19, 1904, at 2:55 a. m., MARY B., wife of R. J. Galbraith, aged 52 years 11 months and 2 days.

Services at the family residence, 108 California avenue, Thirty-eighth ward, at 8 o'clock this evening. Interment at Monongahela on Wednesday afternoon.

(Monongahela papers please copy.)

GIBBON—Suddenly on Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 4:30 o'clock a. m., MARGARET THOMAS, wife of Joel Gibbon, in her 47th year.

Funeral services at the family residence, 4253 Second avenue, near Ruthergien street, on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Interment on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

HERON—Suddenly, on Monday evening, December 19, 1904, at the residence of his son, John B. Heron, Jr., South Linden avenue, East End, JOHN HERON, aged 98 years.

Notice of funeral later.

HOEY—On Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 8:15 o'clock p. m., at her home, 618 East Sixth avenue, Tarentum, Pa., ESTELLA, daughter of John C. and Kate Hoey, aged 11 years.

Requiem high mass at St. Peter's church, West Ninth avenue, Wednesday, December 21, 1904, at 9 o'clock a. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

JONES—On Saturday, December 17, 1904, at 7:15 p. m., at 199 Main street, West End, EVAN JONES, in his 69th year.

Funeral services at the residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited.

LUEBBE—On Monday, December 19, 1904, at 1:40 o'clock a. m., at his residence, Glenfield, Pa., WILLIAM, husband of Wilhelmina Burmeister Lubbe, aged 76 years.

Funeral services on Wednesday, December 21, 1904, at 12:45 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Train to Glenfield at 11 o'clock a. m. Funeral from Fort Wayne station, Federal street, Allegheny, on the arrival of the 2:14 o'clock p. m. train. Interment private in East End Smithfield cemetery. Please omit flowers.

M'ELHANEY—On Saturday, December 17, 1904, at 9:30 p. m., HOWARD ALFRED, only son of John H. and Frances McElhaney, nee McEwen, aged 7 months.

Funeral services Tuesday at 11 a. m. at the residence of the parents, Bruce station B. & O. railroad, Wheeling division, Snowden township, Pa. Friends of the family are respectfully invited. Interment in Bethel cemetery.

M'ROBERTS—On Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 4:20 a. m., INA G., daughter of W. J. and Peninah McRoberts, in her 24th year.

Funeral services Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at her parents' residence, 5113 Dauphin street, East End. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

(Johnstown papers please copy.)

RICHARDSON—On Sunday, December 18, 1904, S. M. RICHARDSON, son of the late C. J. and Sarah Richardson, and a member of Clifton lodge No. 1066, I. O. O. F., and Independent Order of Americans No. 474, in the 29th year of his age.

Funeral services will be held at his late residence, 110 Eicher road, Emsworth, on Tuesday at 1 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Uniondale cemetery.

ROEGER—On Saturday, December 17, 1904, at 11:15 a. m., at her residence, 67 Van Braam street, ANNA MARGARET ROEGER (nee Zeelhofer), wife of George Ph. Roeger, in her 59th year.

Funeral services on Tuesday, December 20, 1904, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

SIEBERT—On Saturday, December 17, 1904, at 4 o'clock p. m., ANNA K. SIEBERT, relict of Bartlet Siebert, aged 84 years. She is survived by six daughters and two sons.

Funeral from her late residence, Ross township, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

STUART—On Monday, December 19, 1904, at 3:30 a. m., JOHN LYALL STUART.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 243 Dithridge street, East End, this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment at Bellefontaine cemetery, St. Louis, Mo., Wednesday afternoon.

WALLACE—Suddenly, at Butler, Pa., THOMAS F. WALLACE, in his 72d year.

Funeral services at his late home, Butler, Pa., this morning at 10 o'clock. Interment in Homewood cemetery on arrival of 12:45 p. m. train at Bennett station.

WHITTLE—On Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., J. HENRY WHITTLE, husband of Helen M. H. McCord.

Funeral on Wednesday, December 21, at 2 o'clock p. m., from his late residence, 3038 Perrysville avenue, Allegheny. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

WOODS—On Monday, December 19, 1904, at Tullymet, Hazelwood, at 8 o'clock p. m., RACHEL ELIZABETH, daughter of Samuel and Prudence Keller and widow of Henry Woods, sheriff, in her 81st year.

Notice of funeral later.

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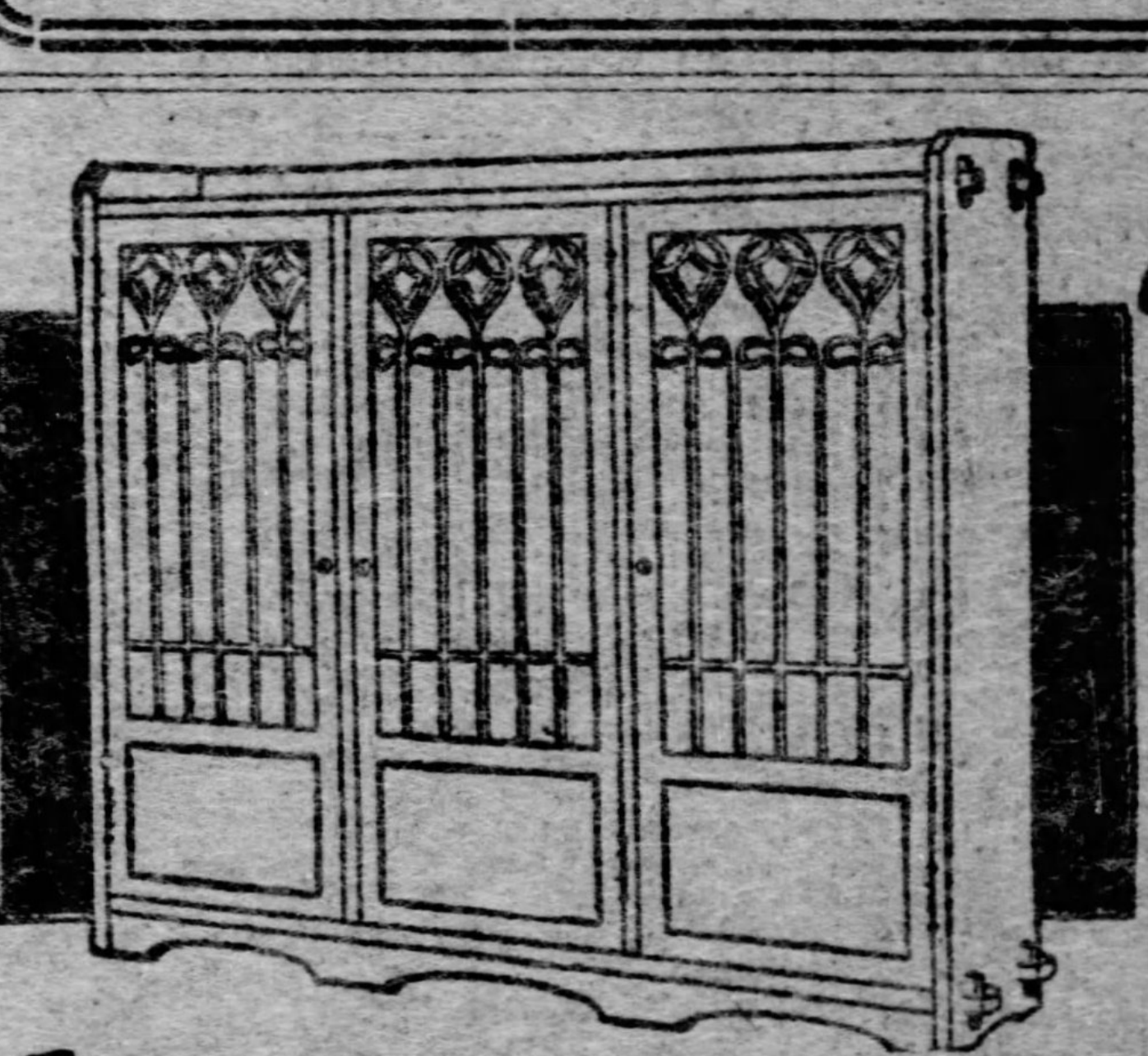

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FLAMES DESTROY OLD LANDMARK

Kenny Homestead Burned and Two Young Men Are Hurt Rescuing Others.

LONG WALK THROUGH SNOW

Two young men were badly burned and seven other persons had narrow escapes from being burned to death, in a fire which completely destroyed the old Anthony Kenny homestead near Kennywood park, last midnight. The Kenny homestead was one of the old landmarks of the section and stood just south of the well-known summer pleasure resort. The building and contents were reduced to ashes. The loss on the home is placed at $5,000 and on the furniture at $1,000.

The homestead was occupied by Solomon Walker, who conducted a dairy farm on the place. Walker was awakened by smoke, which filled the house. He aroused his son, Albert, aged 17, and then broke a window and jumped from the second story of the house. Quickly securing a ladder he placed it against the house for the other occupants, who had been awakened by his son, to escape.

William Graw, aged 19, an employe of Walker, was badly burned about the hands, legs and body. He also had his legs badly cut by kicking out a window. Albert Walker was also burned about his hands, head and body. Considerable difficulty was experienced by the three men in rescuing Walker's four sons, two daughters and Mrs. Mary Rouser, aged 65, who made her home with the Walker family.

After all the people were taken out, they were forced to walk in their night clothing over the snow to the nearest neighbor's house, which is about a quarter of a mile distant. They were almost numb from the cold by the time they arrived at the neighbor's house, as they had to walk in their bare feet through the snow. After young Walker and Graw had their injuries attended to the refugees were made comfortable for the night.

After escaping from the burning building Walker said he did not know from what the fire originated, but he believed that the blaze was started by hot coals falling from the grate to the floor. The Kennywood park section has no fire protection and the house was almost consumed by the time the neighbors were aroused and reached the scene. The wells and other sources of water supply in the section are nearly dry and the farmers were forced to allow the flames to destroy the house. Nothing was saved.

JUDGE BAKER VINDICATED.

Order for His Removal from Supreme Court of Mexico Has Been Revoked.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Judge Baker of the supreme court of New Mexico, who recently was removed from office by the president, has received by the president and the department of justice a full hearing, the result being a revocation of the order of removal. A statement issued today by the department of justice says:

"It will be recalled that Judge Baker was not removed upon any charge affecting his honor or integrity. After a full hearing, the president has revoked the order of removal. Judge Baker, in view of all the circumstances, has concluded that it would be best for him not to continue to hold this office and has tendered his resignation to take effect upon the appointment and qualification of his successor."

GRANTS STAY OF SENTENCE IN POSTAL FRAUD CASES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The district court of appeals today granted the application of counsel for August W. Machen, Samuel A. Groff and Diller B. Groff, of this city, and George E. Lorenz of Toledo, O., convicted of postal frauds for a stay of its recent mandate affirming the sentence of the lower court, pending action by the supreme court of the United States on an application which they will make for a writ of certiorari to have that court review the decision of the court of appeals.

Funeral of Mrs. Thomas Norman.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. today at the Methodist Episcopal church in West Elizabeth, over the remains of Mrs. Elizabeth Norman, wife of Thomas Norman. She died at the family home in West Elizabeth early Sunday morning of heart failure. Mrs. Norman was Miss Elizabeth Davis before her marriage, and was a lifelong resident of West Elizabeth, where she was highly esteemed. Mrs. Norman's death is particularly sad, as her death occurred on the morning of the day on which her daughter, Miss Bertha Norman, aged 22, was buried from the family home. Miss Norman died last Wednesday of inflammatory rheumatism, after an illness of 10 days. Mrs. Norman is survived by her husband, a daughter, Miss Mary, and three sons, George, Enoch and Thomas, Jr., all at home.

Municipal Bonds Sold.

NEWARK, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Last Saturday the injunction against the sale of $300,000 bonds for the erection of a municipal water works was dissolved and today Maj. A. J. Crolley, Auditor Frank T. Maurath and Solicitor Philip B. Smythe, mysteriously left the city. At tonight's council meeting it developed that they had sold the bonds to Denison, Pryor & Co. of Cleveland and Seasongood & Meyer of Cincinnati at 4½ per cent, a premium of $10,150 having been paid. The sale was made privately and several Newark lawyers are of the opinion that the sale is illegal.

Pittsburghers to Build Big Plant.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Contracts have just been closed for the erection of a large glass plant to be built at Sutton, near here. The principal stockholders of the company are Pittsburgh men. The plant will be the fourth largest in the United States, costing $2,000,000 and will employ 1,000 men at high skilled labor. Seven hundred houses will be erected at once at an approximate cost of $800,000. The population of Sutton, now 2,000, will be doubled.

Fate Just to a Rural Poet.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Clifford Davis of Mt. Hermon, who claimed to have predicted the Baltimore fire, the Rochester (N. Y.) fire and who frightened residents of North Cumberland by predicting a big fire, was today adjudged dangerously insane and confined in an asylum here. He came to Cumberland Saturday with a big loaded revolver with the avowed intention of killing a prominent physician. Davis several years ago wrote much poetry and prose for newspapers.

Merchants to Run Free Trolley Cars.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The traffic war between the Cumberland and Pennsylvania railroad and the Cumberland and Westernport electric railway took a new turn today. The cent-a-mile fare on the railroad brought people by hundreds to Cumberland from mining towns. Merchants of Lonaconing and Frostburg today arranged for free cars to be run on the trolley line to those points until Christmas, in an effort to counteract the effect of the movement on the part of the railroad.

Pittsburgher Buys Theater.

SHARON, Dec. 19.—The Broadway theater at South Sharon, which opened its doors two years ago, has been sold to D. Z. Lezy of Pittsburgh, who will remodel the house and lease it to a syndicate. The theater cost $20,000.

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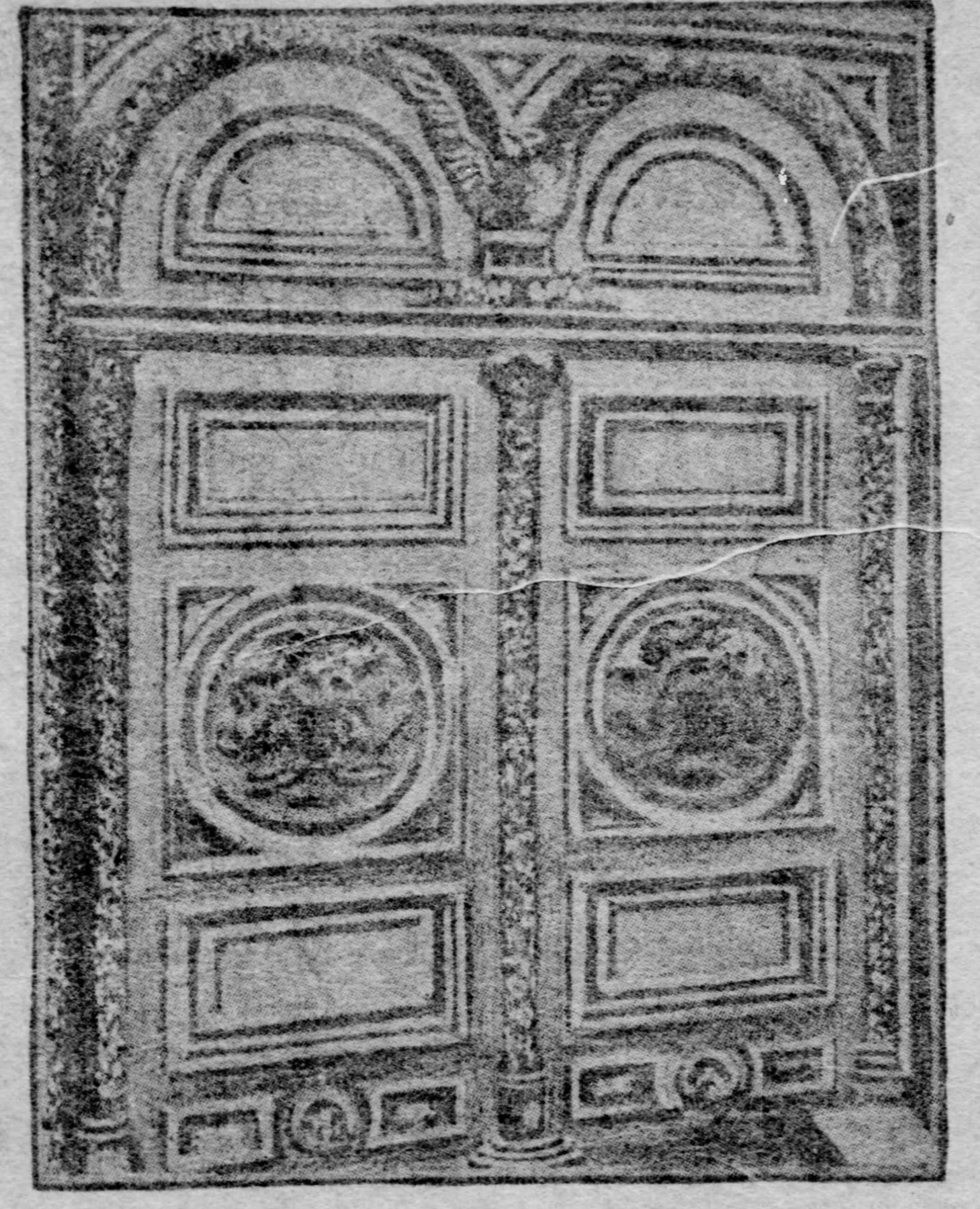

The first pair of a set of great bronze doors cast for the state capitol building at Harrisburg by the Henry-Bonnard Bronze company of New York, has just been shipped. The doors themselves are each 11 feet 6 inches high. The transom surmounting them makes the total height 22 feet. The total weight is 11,420 pounds, but so perfectly are the great doors hung on their hinges that they can be opened easily by a child. Each door is a solid casting, and it is asserted that they are the only doors of their size in existence cast as solid pieces. They cost $32,000, and were designed by Joseph M. Houston. Still larger doors for the north and middle entrances are now being cast. Those intended for the main entrance will cost $60,000.

HE CAPTURED BIG SPANISH BATTLESHIP SINGLE HANDED

Death of Dr. Echemendia, Yellow Fever Expert, Recalls Incident of His Career as a U. S. Quarantine Officer.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Dec. 19.—Dr. D. M. Echemendia, who died in Havana, Cuba, today, from a malignant fever, was a noted yellow fever expert. During the American occupation of Cuba he did good work in driving "yellow Jack" from Havana. He was a surgeon of the United States Marine hospital. During the Cuban revolution in 1896 he was quarantine officer for the Florida state board of health.

On one occasion a Spanish cruiser passed the station en route to Tampa from Havana and paid no attention to the signal to stop and undergo inspection. Dr. Echemendia, who was a native of Cuba, became wrathful when he saw the ship flying a flag of red and gold ignoring the orders of the state of Florida. He boarded the quarantine launch and overtook the cruiser before she reached Port Tampa.

The angry doctor ordered the vessel to return forthwith to quarantine. The Spanish captain was indignant and protested a state quarantine could not apply to a Spanish warship. Dr. Echemendia was firm and was backed by the state health office.

The Spanish consul took the matter up, with the Spanish minister at Washington, and the minister appealed to the secretary of state. The state department tried to persuade the governor of Florida to allow the vessel to proceed to Tampa. The Florida officials refused, and the vessel was compelled to return to the quarantine station. When Dr. Echemendia talked of fumigating the vessel and detaining it for 10 days the commander put to sea without touching at any Florida port.

The Cubans in Florida have always declared that Dr. Echemendia is the only Cuban or American who ever captured a Spanish warship single-handed.

ROSSNER TRIED SUICIDE; FRACTURED ADAM'S APPLE

Allegheny Man Used the Rope and Paralyzed Power of Speech Instead of Losing Life.

Because, as he put it, he could not live in peace and harmony with his wife, Ernest Rossner of Brighton road, Allegheny, tried to take his life yesterday, but in his attempt succeeded only in fracturing his Adam's apple. The misfortune will not result in death, but will prevent Rossner from indulging in audible speech in the future. For the remainder of his days he must be content with the talk used by the deaf and dumb, or must adopt that species of sign-language that in olden times was used by the North American Indians and the early settlers in this country when personal communication was attempted.

For some time past Rossner has not been on speaking terms with his wife. His friends say this domestic unpleasantness caused Rossner to become despondent and induced him to quit working. Incidentally, it is said, he has been drinking considerably more than is consistent with the real ethics of sobriety. He was playing pool with some friends yesterday afternoon, and quitting the game suddenly, walked to a lumber yard in Brighton road, near Benton avenue. In this place he was discovered a few minutes later, hanging from a rope that was slowly strangling him.

At St. John's General hospital the physicians say Rossner will recover in a few days, but will never be able to audibly tell his wife how dejected he felt when he tied the rope about his neck.

NEW COMIC OPERA GIVEN.

John Kendrick Bangs' "Lady Teazle," With Lillian Russell, Well Done at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 19.—"Lady Teazle" was presented at the Academy of Music here tonight for the first time on any stage. "Lady Teazle" is a comic opera, the libretto of which was written by John Kendrick Bangs and Roderic Penfield, the music having been arranged by A. Baldwin Sloane. Miss Lillian Russell was in fine voice and the large and enthusiastic audience called for several encores of the catchy airs. She was well supported by George Frothingham, Stanley Hawkins, Van Rensselaer Wheeler, Owen Westford, John Dunsmuire, Elsa Ryan, Phoebe Coyne and Lucille Saunders.

Mr. Bangs was called to the footlights and made an appreciate address.

MILLER PLACED ON TRIAL.

Charged With Murdering a Man Owing to Trouble Over Former's Young Wife.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The second murder case of the December term in Fayette county was taken up today and a jury was secured that will decide the fate of Mat Miller, charged with the murder of Andy Desima at Riverview, near Masontown.

According to the evidence there had been trouble between the two men over Miller's wife, an Italian girl, 17 years old.

On the morning of October 16 Desima's throat was cut from ear to ear, his head crushed with a hatchet and the body hidden in a cellar. Miller escaped, but was captured the following night near Point Marion. There was blood on his feet.

THE PRESIDENT AND TAFT CONFER UNTIL MIDNIGHT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Taft was at the White House until midnight tonight, discussing with the president matters relating to the Isthmian canal and the Philippine tariff. Former Secretary of War Elihu Root, who came to the city tonight, was with the president and Secretary Taft part of the evening.

SAYS WIFE IS BIGAMIST.

Cincinnati Horseman Avers That His Better Half Has Another Husband in St. Louis.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—A sensation was sprung here today in the suit for divorce and alimony, brought by Mary E. Bell against Harry E. Bell, of Dustin & Bell among the largest horse dealers in the city.

In fighting her claim for alimony Mr. Bell accuses his wife of being guilty of bigamy. Mrs. Bell was formerly married to one Edward N. Murray of St. Louis, but was supposed to have been divorced. Mr. Bell testified, however, that such was not the case and that Mrs. Bell had visited Murray in St. Louis less than a month ago, as he had seen Murray himself and he had admitted the visit. The court took the case under advisement.

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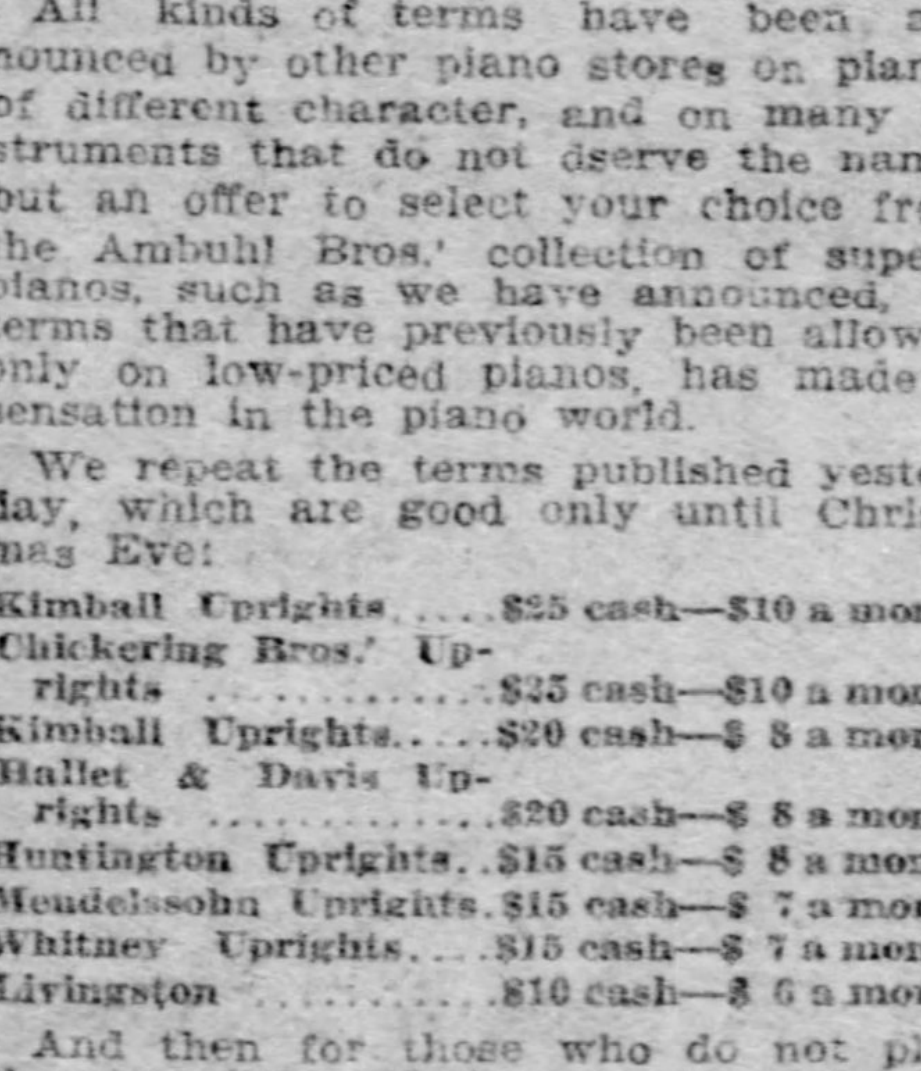

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FAILED TO KEEP THREAT HE MADE IN ANGER

Wealthy Omaha Resident Comes Back to Home He Abandoned After Quarrel With Tax Collector.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 19.—George A. Joslyn, a multi-millionaire and president of the Western Newspaper Union, who last fall boarded up the windows of his palatial new home here, turned his cows into the grounds which landscape gardeners had been paid a large sum of money to lay out and beautify, and went to Saratoga, N. Y., to live, as the result of a quarrel with the tax commissioner of Omaha, has failed to carry out his threat he should never return to this city to reside.

Mr. Joslyn and his family have returned to Omaha from Saratoga, have reopened their beautiful home and will reside here in the future.

The Nebraska legislature had enacted a law placing upon the tax roll all stock held by residents of that state in corporations organized under the laws of other states. Mr. Joslyn's assessment under this law amounted to $1,400, while the tax on his abandoned home, which he willingly paid, is about $10,000 a year.

Mr. Joslyn announced at the time he left Omaha he would have paid this special tax without further protest, though he believed it unjust, had he not discovered he had been singled out as the only one of dozens of wealthy stockholders called upon by the tax gatherer.

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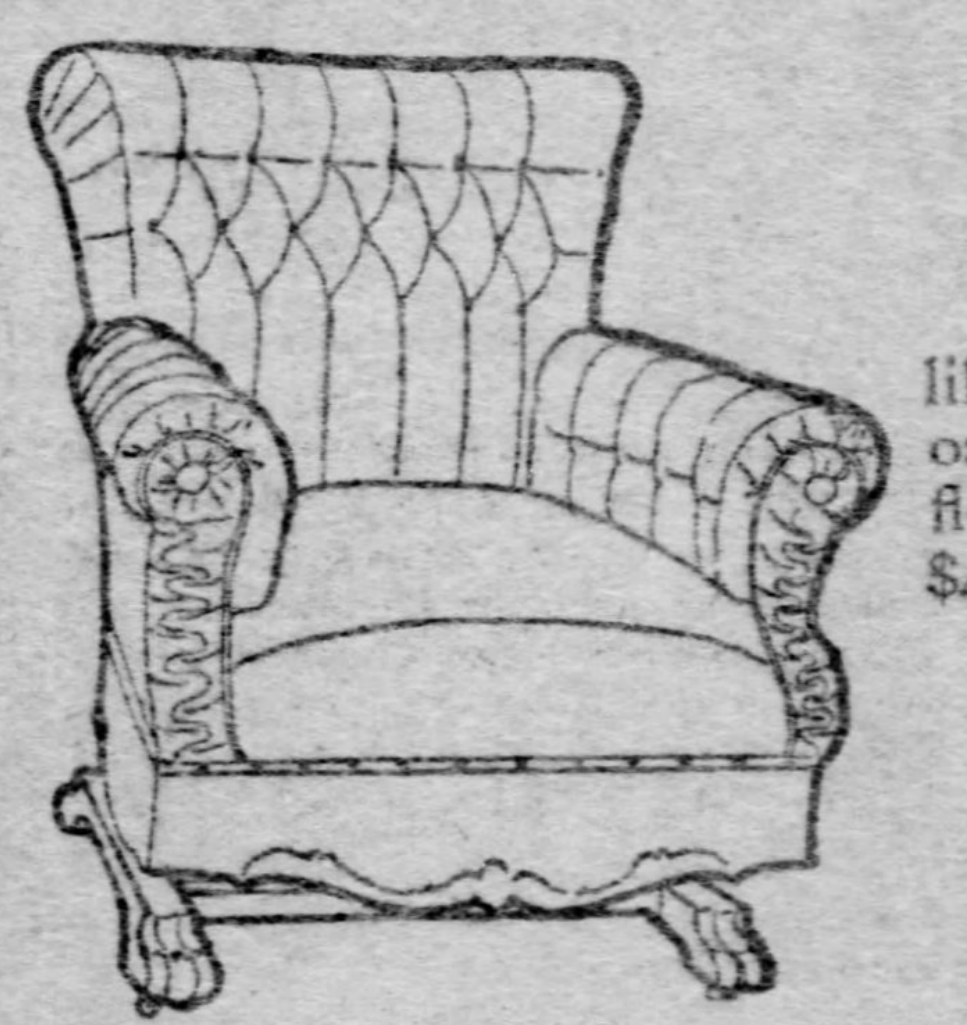

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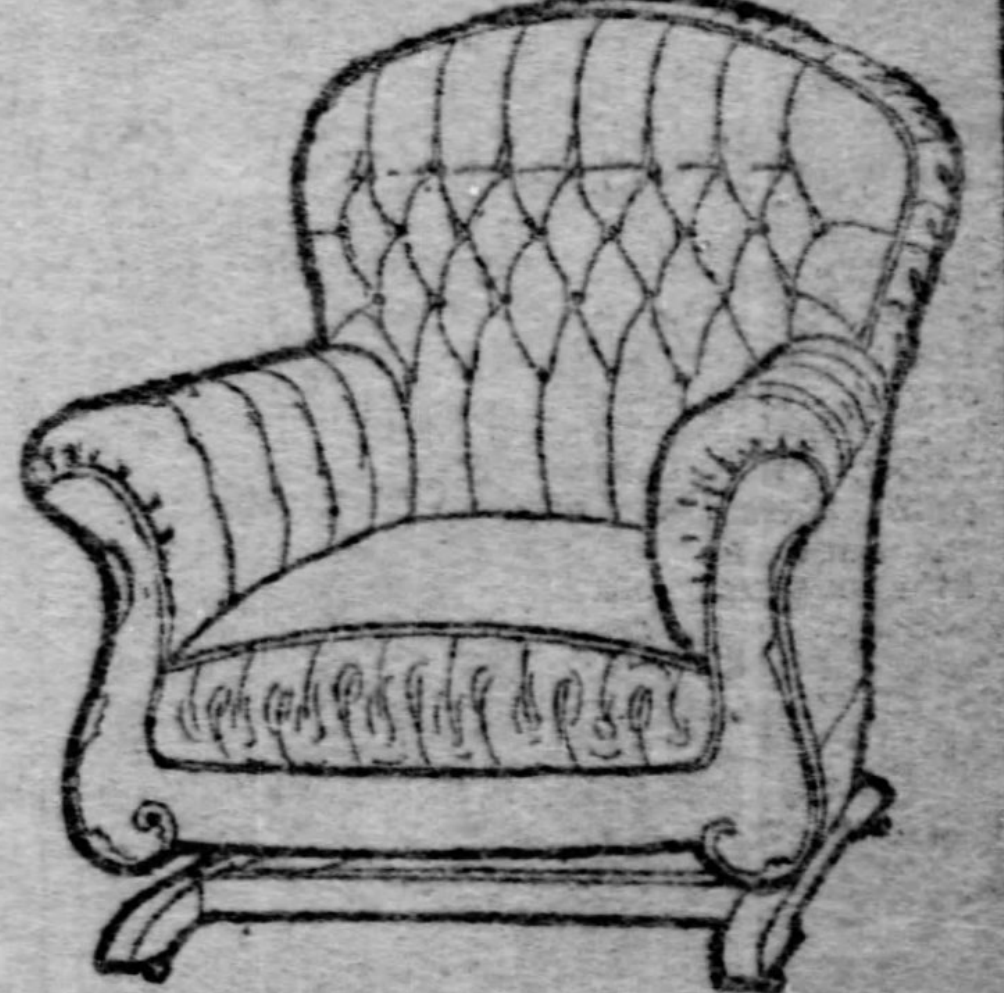

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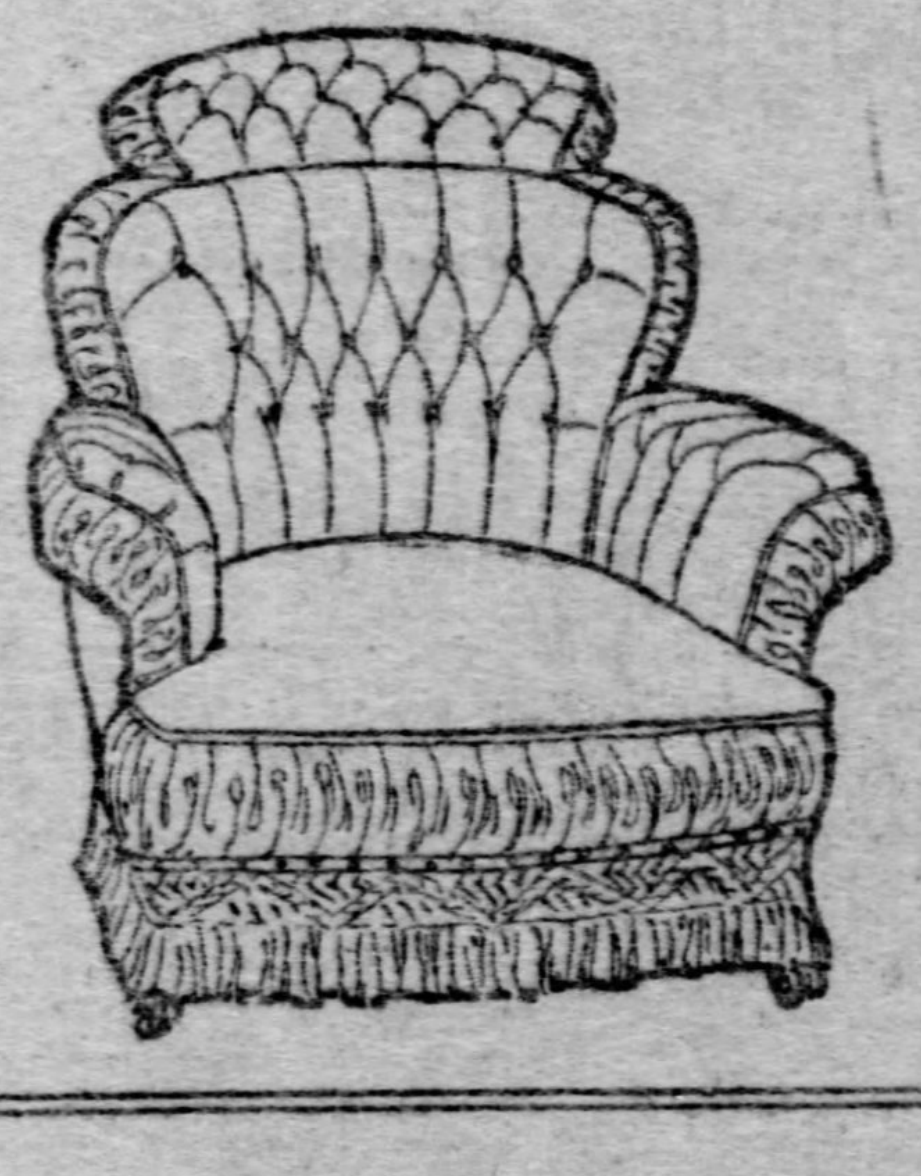

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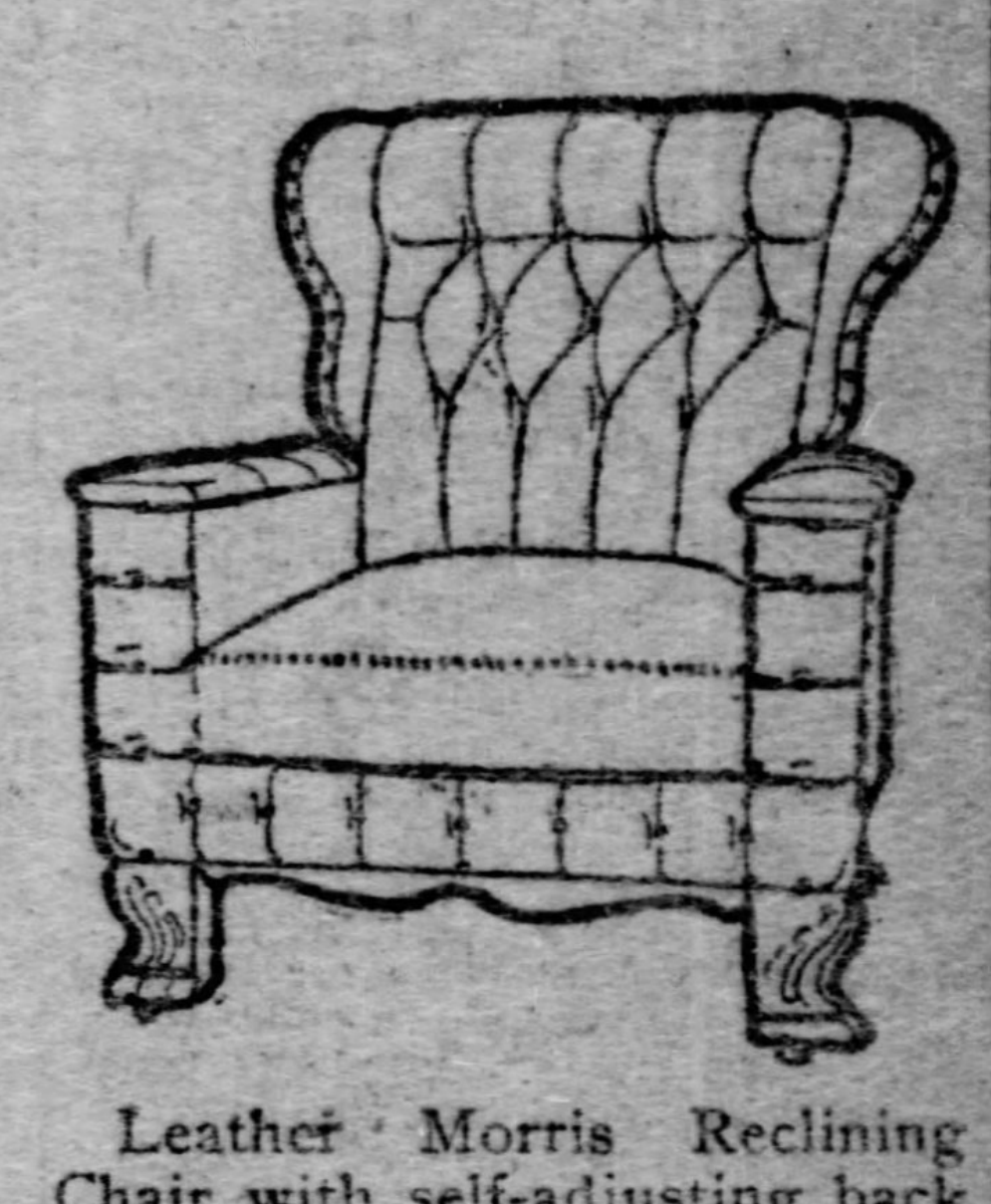

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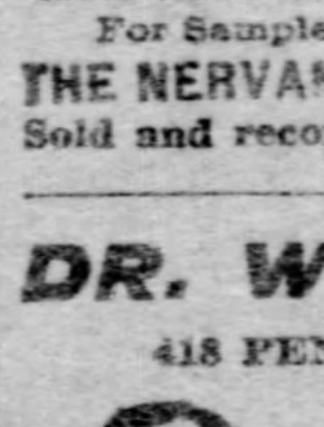

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Cumberland Accom.	* 6:30 am	* 9:20 pm
Connells. & Mt. Pleasant	† 6:30 am	†10:00 am
Wash., Balt. & N. York	* 8:00 am	* 7:45 pm
Conn'v, Un'tn & Fairm't	* 8:00 am	* 7:45 pm
West Newton Accom.	† 9:15 am	† 8:00 am
Cumb., Wash. & Balt.	* 1:00 pm	* 2:45 pm
Conn., Un'tn, Morgant'n	† 1:35 pm	†10:00 am
Connells. & Mt. Pleasant	† 1:35 pm	† 5:05 pm
Connellsville Accom.	* 4:00 pm	† 5:05 pm
Morgantown, Clarksburg and Weston	† 5:00 pm	†12:50 pm
Philadelphia & New York (Duquesne Limited)	* 6:30 pm	* 9:00 am
West Newton Accom.	† 6:40 pm	† 1:30 pm
Wash., Balt. & Phila.	* 9:00 pm	* 7:15 am
LINES WEST VIA WHEELING.		
Columbus & Cincin. Exp.	*12:05 am	
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheel. Ac.	* 7:00 am	* 7:45 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:30 am	* 7:45 am
Wheeling Express	* 1:05 pm	* 6:00 pm
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheeling	* 4:35 pm	* 4:05 pm
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheel. Ac.	* 5:35 pm	* 8:45 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:50 pm	* 7:55 pm
LINES WEST VIA AKRON.		
Cleve., Akron & Youngst.	* 7:50 am	* 8:15 pm
Chicago & Cleveland	* 4:30 pm	* 3:15 pm
Chicago Limited	* 8:05 pm	* 7:40 am
(Leave Allegheny.)		
Butler	† 7:00 am	† 8:00 am
Butler	‡ 7:30 am	* 7:25 pm
Butler, Foxburg	† 8:15 am	† 5:10 pm
Butler and Erie	† 8:15 am	† 6:35 pm
Butler	†10:40 am	* 9:40 am
Butler and Erie	† 1:15 pm	† 1:00 pm
Ellwood City	† 1:15 pm	† 6:30 am
Butler, Clarion & Greenv.	† 3:00 pm	†10:25 am
Butler, Ellw'd, N. Castle	* 5:30 pm	* 9:40 am
Butler	* 6:15 pm	* 5:10 pm
Ellwood, New Castle	‡ 8:15 pm	* 9:40 am
Butler	*11:30 pm	* 7:25 pm

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Pennsylvania Lines.

By Central Standard Time.

TRAINS.	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis	* 1.10 am	* 1.45 am
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 3.15 am	* 2.15 am
Tiffin and Toledo	* 3.15 am	* 5.50 pm
Indianapolis, Louisville, St. Louis	* 4.50 am	* 6.00 am
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 5.00 am	* 8.40 pm
Alliance and Crestline	† 5.00 am	* 5.30 pm
Cleveland and Bellaire	† 5.20 am	† 7.25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5.20 am	‡ 6.55 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 5.20 am	† 1.05 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 6.00 am	† 8.20 pm
New Castle and Erie	‡ 6.30 am	‡10.35 pm
Youngstown and Ashtabula	† 6.30 am	† 5.50 pm
Ohio Valley Express	† 6.50 am	† 8.30 pm
Salem and Alliance	* 7.00 am	‡10.40 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7.00 am	* 5.50 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7.30 am	† 4.55 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	‡ 7.30 am	‡ 6.55 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 7.35 am	†10.35 am
Jamestown and New Castle	† 7.35 am	† 1.20 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	‡ 7.35 am	‡ 6.25 am
Youngstown and Ashtabula	‡ 7.35 am	‡ 8.20 pm
The Cleveland Express	* 8.00 am	* 2.40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8.00 am	* 6.40 pm
The Toledo Special	*11.30 am	* 8.30 pm
Columbus and Chicago	12.15 pm	* 2.00 pm
Youngstown, Ashtabula & Jamest'n	†12.35 pm	‡ 5.50 pm
Jamestown and Ashtabula	‡12.35 pm	‡10.35 am
Cleveland and Bellaire	† 1.35 pm	† 1.05 pm
Alliance and Mansfield	† 1.35 pm	† 1.00 pm
The St. Louis Special	* 2.00 pm	* 2.15 pm
East Liverpool and Steubenville	† 4.02 pm	† 7.40 am
New Castle and Erie	† 4.30 pm	† 5.50 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 4.30 pm	† 8.20 pm
Niles and Youngstown	† 4.30 pm	† 1.20 pm
Jamestown, Youngstown and Niles	* 4.30 pm	* 5.50 pm
The Cleveland Special	* 5.00 pm	*11.15 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5.02 pm	† 5.40 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	‡ 5.10 pm	‡ 9.10 am
The Chicago Special	* 6.30 pm	* 7.46 am
Columbus and Indianapolis	* 8.10 pm	* 5.55 am
The St. Louis Limited	* 8.10 pm	* 5.55 am
Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 8.15 pm	* 6.30 am
The Pennsylvania Limited	* 8.45 pm	* 6.00 am
Toledo and Detroit Express	* 8.45 pm	* 5.30 am
Beaver Falls and New Castle	†10.40 pm	* 5.50 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	*11.00 pm	* 5.40 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., †6.00 am, †7.30 am, †9.00 am, †9.45 am, †1.30 pm, †3.10 pm, †4.10 pm, ‡5.15 pm, †5.20 pm, †6.20 pm, †9.20 pm, †10.30 pm.

Leave for Wheeling, †6.50 am, *8.20 am, †11.40 am, ‡2.80 pm, *8.15 pm.

Leave for Steubenville, *5.40 am, †8.25 am, †4.25 pm, †10.55 pm, ‡11.85 am.

Leave for Dennison, *5.40 am, †2.80 pm.

Leave Allegheny for Salem and Alliance, †9.25 pm.

*Every day. †Week days only. ‡Sundays only.

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Schedule in Effect Nov. 27, 1904.

CENTRAL TIME.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago & Cleve. "Flyer"	* 7:00 am	* 9:45 pm
Cleveland "Flyer"	* 7:00 am	* 6:30 pm
Youngst'n & Cleve. Mail	* 8:30 am	* 5:10 pm
Buffalo and Erie Express	† 8:30 am	† 7:15 pm
Buffalo and Eastern Exp.	†12:35 pm	† 7:15 pm
Lake Chaut'qua Fast Line	*12:25 pm	* 6:30 am
Buffalo and Erie Express	‡ 5:00 pm	* 9:45 pm
Cleveland and Chicago Ex.	* 2:30 pm	*12:30 pm
Boston Special	† 5:00 pm	* 6:35 am
Cleve. & Detroit "Flyer"	* 6:15 pm	*11:15 am
Chicago Limited	* 6:15 pm	* 6:35 pm
Buffalo and Cleveland Ex.	*10:30 pm	* 6:35 pm
Youngstown Accom.	† 5:30 am	† 9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 6:40 am	† 6:35 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 8:00 am	† 9:30 am
New Castle Accom.	†11:55 am	† 4:15 pm
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 3:30 pm	†12:15 am
New Castle Express	† 4:20 pm	† 7:30 am
New Castle Express	† 9:30 am	† 1:10 pm
Beaver Falls Express	† 5:25 pm	† 8:30 am
Brownsville Accom.	† 6:10 am	† 6:45 am
Brownsville & N. Hav. Ex.	† 8:00 am	† 8:00 am
McKeesp't & Brownsville	†11:50 am	†12:20 pm
Brownsville & N. Haven	† 3:30 pm	† 4:50 pm
Brownsville & N. Haven	† 5:20 pm	† 5:45 pm

P., C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Beadling and Beechmont, †5:30 a. m., †9:50 a. m.

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Manhattan Limited, daily, for North Philadelphia and New York	3.35 a. m.
The Pennsylvania Limited, daily	7.15 a. m.
New York Limited, daily	7.15 a. m.
Atlantic Express, daily	7.30 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily	8.00 a. m.
Day Express, daily	12.01 p. m.
Mail Express, daily	12.45 p. m.
Chicago Mail, daily for Baltimore and Washington	4.50 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily for Philadelphia and New York	4.55 p. m.
New York Express, daily for Philadelphia and New York	7.10 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	9.00 p. m.
New York Special, daily, for New York only	10.00 p. m.
Philadelphia Special, daily, Sleeping cars to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. No coaches	10.00 p. m.

For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9.00 a. m. and 11.00 p. m. daily.

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CONGRESS WANTS NO MORE HAZING

Resolution to Reinstate Cadets Is Decided Against by the House.

DEBATE ON INAUGURAL BALL

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—In the house of representatives today, a resolution by Mr. Lacey of Iowa making the bill to restore three midshipmen, John Henry Lofland, Earl Worden Chaffee and Joseph Drummond Little, members of the first class, United States Naval academy, who were dismissed for hazing, a special order after January 5, caused some criticism. Mr. Lacey sought to pass the resolution under a suspension of the rules and Messrs. Mann of Illinois, Fitzgerald of New York and Williams of Mississippi contended that the case of these midshipmen could not be given preference when there were so many matters of vast public importance which could not get time for consideration. The practice of hazing was severely condemned by Mr. Payne of New York, who said it was neither manly nor decent. The bill, he had hoped, was finally put to rest at the last session.

After Mr. Shepherd of Texas gave notice that he would expect the same treatment to be accorded cadets dismissed from West Point as was to be granted those from the naval academy, Mr. Fitzgerald called attention to legislative action by congress regarding hazing, as the result of "the great scandal at West Point some few years ago."

Would Establish Precedent.

"If," he said, "after congress had decreed that hazers should be expelled the bill under consideration should pass there would be a constant stream of applications from dismissed cadets for reinstatement.

Mr. Mann of Illinois said that if the bill passed the cadets at Annapolis would slap the officials of the academy in the face and tell them that while we talk against hazing we restore those who are dismissed.

Declaring that hazing was subversive of all discipline, Mr. Adams of Pennsylvania repeated a statement made to him by military academy officials that if congress "would stand by us we will put this hazing down."

In a few vigorous remarks, Mr. Brick of Indiana defended the three midshipmen who, he said, had been dismissed for a trivial offense. The house refused to adopt the resolution, 35 to 77.

Mr. Morrell of Pennsylvania moved the passage, under suspension of the rules, of the senate bill providing for the inauguration of president amended so as to provide that the inaugural ball shall be held in the capitol building instead of the congressional library. The bill as passed by the senate authorized the pension office to be used for this purpose. The house amended it so as to grant the use of the congressional library, but Mr. Morrell said that the opposition to the latter plan had been so great that the district committee now urged the capitol building.

Objections to Pension Building.

Mr. Morrell gave several reasons for not agreeing with the senate to utilize the pension building, among them being the enormous number of valuable documents which would have to be disarranged, the risk of fire and the fact that business would be practically suspended for a month. The capitol building, he argued, was an ideal place for the ball on account of having its own police force, its own heating and lighting plants, broad corridors and rotunda and many exits.

Mr. Williams of Mississippi said it would be petty and spiteful to raise an objection at this time to using a government building for the ball, but called attention to a promise by the people of the District of Columbia given to committees of congress that they would build a suitable place in which this quadriennial function should be held. He scored the inaugural committee for having refused in the past to restore to their original condition reservations or public spaces occupied by stands or other structures. An amendment by him was adopted requiring the inaugural committee to give bond guaranteeing to repair all damage done.

Explaining that his objection was not based on President Roosevelt's personality, Mr. Baker of New York said that if the custom of "mixing up of public duties with social functions" was a wrong one, it was the duty of the house to oppose that function regardless of the fact that it had been the custom 100 years or more. What he objected to, he said, was a few individuals getting together "for their own social prestige." It created class distinction and was undemocratic, he said.

Gave Baker a Chance.

"Having got rid of a saloon in the capitol," interjected Mr. Simms of Tennessee, "we don't want to turn it into a ballroom."

Mr. Thayer of Massachusetts said the only place where the ball could be held with regal splendor was the Pension building. "I want to know," he inquired, "in whose fertile mind originated the idea of turning the capitol into a dance hall or ball hall for one single night." It would, he said, be beneath the dignity of the American people to hold the ball in the capitol.

Mr. Pou of New York believed the ceremony should not be conducted in a niggardly manner, and favored the plan to use the Capitol building.

Mr. Gaines of Tennessee said that if the ball was to be held at all, it should be conducted centrally and in proper order. He favored the Pension building.

Mr. Baker convulsed the house by referring to Mr. Thayer's use of the word "regal."

"I am opposed," he said, "to anything being done in this country in a regal, kingly manner." He wanted it done in a democratic and simple manner. He then turned his attention to the president and said he was impressed "that the greatest authority in advocacy of the simple life should have such ardent friends upon this floor demanding that he be inaugurated in a regal manner."

Mr. Baker put the house in an uproar when he declared that the object of the ball was to give opportunity to the wealthy "to parade their jewels, their gowns and their finery so that it can go all over the United States that Mrs. Tom Jones attended the president's ball and that she was arrayed in such and such finery, which is believed to have cost $8,000."

By an emphatic "No" the house voted down the resolution.

The resolution went back to the calendar. It can be brought up again on District of Columbia day, which will be the second Monday in January, unless a special rule or some other arrangement is made for its prior consideration.

Somerset County Farmers' Institute.

SOMERSET, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The sixteenth annual farmers' institute of Somerset county convened here today in the temporary court house, and will be in session until Thursday. On Friday and Saturday sessions will be held in Berlin. Peter P. Miller of Somerset delivered an address on "The Benefits of Rural Telephones." Five hundred farmers are in attendance.

Charged With Robbing Store.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Edward Messenger and Edward Riley of Savage, W. Va., are in jail at Keyser, W. Va., charged with robbing Buxton & Landstreet's store at Simpson of goods and about $500 in cash.

THE FUTURE QUEEN OF SPAIN

This picture is the latest which has been taken of Grand Duchess Marie Antoinette of Mecklenburg-Schwarin, the young daughter of the late grand duke, whose official engagement to King Alphonso of Spain will soon take place. This is the third of the grand duke's daughters who will in time occupy a throne, the oldest, Princess Alexandrine, having married Prince Christian, oldest son of the crown prince of Denmark, who will some time be king of that country under the name of Christian then Tenth. The second daughter, Cecilie, has just become engaged to the German crown prince, and will in time be German empress, and now the youngest is to be queen of Spain.

PAST OF ROMNEY PICTURE SHOWN AT LONDON AUCTION

Originally Sold With Two Other Canvases for a Few Shillings Forty Years Ago, It Fetches $34,125—Rummaging Among Dusty Attics.

LONDON, December 19.—Behind the sale of a Romney picture at Christie's the other day for 6,500 guineas ($34,125) lies a story that is worth more space than was devoted to it in the cabled dispatches sent at the time when only meagre details were available. It opens 40 years ago at the little seaport and mining town of Whitehaven on the Cumberland coast.

A small tradesman had fallen into difficulties and a sale was held of his household effects, which was attended chiefly by frugal housewives in search of bargains in the shape of pots and pans and second-hand furniture. Their interest slackened when the auctioneer unrolled three grimy canvases, and the local wight, who had strayed upon the scene, bought the lot for a few shillings, without the faintest idea that among them was an art treasure that would be worth a fortune some day. In fact, he cared little for pictures himself and bought them more as a joke than anything else.

Among the women present was Mrs. John Tomlinson, bent on picking up some articles of domestic utility. Her husband was a civil servant of sorts, being a "government distributor of stamps," and a man of some intelligence, with a liking for pictures. Thrifty Mrs. Tomlinson did not believe in wasting money on such things herself, but she told John of the incident. Next day he sought out the purchaser, who gave himself credit for remarkable shrewdness in selling them again for twice what he had paid for them.

Tomlinson stretched the canvases and hung them in his house. He had no idea at that time of the value of his find. Some "painter chaps" in the neighborhood told him that they were certainly good pictures, which he regarded as a flattering tribute to his own judgment and cultured taste. On the strength of them, as the years rolled by, he acquired quite a local reputation as an art connoisseur. Artists visiting the neighborhood frequently dropped in on him and admired his little collection. He received several local offers for them, which he stubbornly resisted. One artist settled in Whitehaven repeatedly tried to induce him to part with the Romney one. He was not quite certain then that it was a Romney and the price he offered was only a fraction of what it fetched at auction, but it represented a prodigious sum to Tomlinson. Still he declined. He had enough to keep him in comfort in his old age and he did not hanker after riches. Strangely enough, no news of the Whitehaven treasure ever reached the ears of the big dealers, and in consequence none of the hungry roving commissioners of the art world ever descended on the town of the under sea mines.

Tomlinson died intestate when nearly 90. Some of the heirs wrote to Christie's about his pictures. One of the experts of the firm was dispatched north and saw at a glance the richness of Whitehaven's secret. Very different was the scene at Christie's sale from that other sale 40 years earlier. The place was jammed. For two hours and a half the patient sightseers awaited the appearance on the easel of the picture which the Whitehaven housewives had eyed with disdain. At length the unframed canvas, so long the adornment of a humble mantelpiece, was hoisted up. Hundreds of wedged elbows stiffened. Hundreds of eager eyes turned to the picture. The dealers cleared their throats. "Five hundred guineas," exclaimed the oldest of them, and the battle had begun. The bidding advanced by hundred guinea stages, until an impressive pause proclaimed that the limit had been reached and the fall of the hammer terminated the scene. Lockett Agnew, the well-known London dealer had secured it for $34,500 in American money. The two other Whitehaven pictures, which were included in the sale—portraits by Tilly Kettle and painted some time prior to 1783—fetched $1,285. The lot that had been sold for a few shillings in 1861 realized $35,410 in 1904. Such is the romance of picture buying!

The Romney picture represents two little children, one a girl carrying a doll and the other a mite of a boy, apparently her brother, walking proudly by her side, as though intent on protecting her with his toy-gun. The painting of the two heads, especially that of the little maid, is of excellent bloom. But the canvas has been sadly neglected and there are traces of village paint upon it. After undergoing careful treatment at the hands of the skilled picture mender its appearance will be greatly improved. When next sold it may fetch several thousand dollars more than Mr. Agnew paid for it. The highest recorded price paid for a Romney at an auction sale is $55,275.

How such a fine specimen of Romney's work originally reached Whitehaven is a mystery that has not yet been fathomed. But its discovery has led to a lot of rummaging among dusty lumber rooms all over the country, and every mail brings dozens of letters to Christie's requesting them to send experts to examine pictures which the writers are convinced are Romney's or Gainsborough's.

ASUNCION OCCUPIED.

Revolutionary Forces Occupy the City. Politicians Will Leave the Country.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 19.—(Special Cable.)—A dispatch from Asuncion, Paraguay, says the revolutionary forces entered the city yesterday and met with an enthusiastic reception.

Gen. Caballiero and other politicians will leave the country, not under sentence of banishment, but yielding to the request of former President Iscurra and the new president, Goana, because it is feared their presence may provoke new disturbances.

A DISGUSTING OFFENSE.

So Missouri Court of Appeals Stigmatizes the Conduct of Boodle Senator.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The court of appeals today affirmed the verdict in the first state boodle conviction in Missouri. It was the appeal in the case of State Senator W. P. Sullivan, convicted of soliciting a bribe of $4,500 to secure the three votes necessary to appeal the anti-alum baking powder law. Sullivan was fined $100.

The court says of Sullivan's offense: "It was harmful to the state and disgusting in its nature and perpetration."

DR. CHADWICK SAILS AS SECOND-CLASS PASSENGER

PARIS, Dec. 19.—(Special Cable.)—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick and his daughter, Miss Mary Chadwick of Cleveland, sailed from Dover, England, for New York Sunday night as second-class passengers on the steamer Pretoria of the Hamburg-American line.

Pennsylvania Company Chartered.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—A charter was issued here today to the Acid Proof Valve Company of Danville, Pa., capital stock $100,000. The incorporators are: Morris Williams, Swarthmore, Pa.; R. A. Quinn, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; J. D. West, Danville, Pa.; F. H. Kohlbraker, Nanticoke, Pa.; W. R. Reinhart, Shamokin, Pa.

LAY WITH ARM DISJOINTED.

John Sansom Badly Injured in a Mine. Received Other Injuries and May Die.

MONOGAHELA, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Pinned between two coal cars with his right arm torn almost from the socket, John Sansom lay for two hours in the Schoenberger mine this morning until help arrived and he was released. He had taken a string of empties into the mine and was returning when the accident occurred. Two of the cars became detached on the first trip and were unnoticed. On coming out with a train of loaded cars Sansom did not see the empties on the track and ran into them. The carriage on which he was riding was overturned and he was caught under the wheels.

His right arm was so crushed and mangled that amputation was necessary. Severe body bruises in addition to his other injuries make his recovery doubtful.

GAVE A LOVING CUP TO PYESHITELUI'S CAPTAIN

KISHINEF, Dec. 19.—A dinner was given tonight in honor of Capt. Shestakovsky, commander of the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitelni, which was run from Port Arthur to Chefoo with dispatches from Gen. Stoessel to the emperor, and which the Japanese cut out of the harbor. The captain was presented with a loving cup, inscribed with his name and the date of his vessel's last fight.

Death of Mrs. Rachel E. Woods.

Mrs. Rachel Elizabeth Woods, aged 81, for many years a resident of Hazelwood, where she was well known, died at 8 last night at the old family homestead, "Tullymet," in Hazelwood. Mrs. Woods was the widow of Henry Woods, a former sheriff of this county. She was a daughter of Samuel and Mrs. Prudence Keller.

Died Refusing to Have Doctor.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Maltys Bulu, an Austrian, aged 45, died at his boarding house today after being sick for a week. He refused to have a doctor, saying he belonged to a club which pledges its members to ignore physicians.

STEAMBOAT MEN PROTEST AGAINST NEW REGULATIONS

Secretary Metcalf Gives Hearing to Owners of Vessels—Capt. James A. Henderson of Pittsburgh Is Present.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Metcalf, Assistant Secretary Lawrence O. Murray and Herbert Knox Smith of the bureau of corporations, department of commerce and labor, gave a hearing today to representatives of various steamboat interests regarding the regulations of the steamboat inspection service, the adoption of which has been recommended by the board of supervising inspectors of the service.

An agreement was reached that representatives of the steamboat interests and others concerned in the adoption of proposed regulations should have until January 16 to file with Secretary Metcalf objections to any of the proposed rules or suggestions as to their further amendment.

Among those present at the hearing was Capt. James A. Henderson of Pittsburgh, president of the National Board of Steam Navigation and president of the Pittsburgh & Cincinnati packet line. Technical questions raised by the proposed regulations were discussed, some of them very particularly. Thomas Clyde pointed out that it would be difficult to bring about any radical changes in the construction of vessels already in use and said to require great changes in such vessels would prove a hardship on owners. Every owner, he thought, was anxious to make his vessels as safe as possible and was willing to go to any reasonable length to insure the safety of passengers. He suggested that if different methods of construction were to be used they should be made to apply only to vessels now being constructed or hereafter to be constructed. The number of crew, he thought, should be determined rather by the horse-power of the vessel than by the tonnage.

INTERNATIONAL SANITARY BUREAU IS IN FAVOR

South America Will Join United States in Stamping Out Disease.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Hay today transmitted to the house the annual report of the bureau of American republics for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904. The total receipts of the bureau were $60,654, and the expenditures $10,282 less than this sum. The expenditures for the present fiscal year are estimated at $52,849.

Efforts have been made by the bureau to establish an international sanitary bureau, and Chile, Cuba, Honduras, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela and the United States have contributed their first annual quotas to this end. Costa Rica and Nicaragua have signified their intention to participate. Haiti and the Argentine Republic will not become parties to it.

The proposition to organize an international archaeological commission has met with favor only from Mexico, Peru and the United States. The Argentine Republic has declined to participate and the other countries have failed to respond to the call.

PEACE CONGRESS WANTS TO KNOW COST OF WARS

Government Is Asked to Furnish Statistics Covering More Than a Century.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Representative Bartholdt of Missouri today, in accordance with the action of the international peace congress at Boston, requesting him to introduce a resolution in congress calling for certain statistics relative to the cost of wars today, introduced a concurrent resolution instructing the secretary of commerce and labor to collect and compile statistics on the cost of wars in all countries from 1800 down to the present time; the amount paid for pensions, and other allowances to soldiers and sailors engaged in such wars; the amount paid to hospitals and retreats for disabled soldiers and sailors; the amount of property destroyed in such wars by land and sea; the additional cost of maintaining armies and navies in time of peace to each nation during that period; an approximate estimate of the indirect expenses and damages by such wars to the health and prosperity of each nation resulting from such wars, and the number of killed, wounded and disabled on each side during such wars.

The resolution provided that the statistics be printed and distributed under the direction of congress in this and other countries as preliminary to an international peace congress to be held in Washington or The Hague July 6, 1906.

CHICAGO HOPES TO ENTERTAIN PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—President Roosevelt will be invited to be the guest of the city of Chicago when the new federal building in this city is dedicated next month. This was decided on at a meeting of business men tonight. Franklin MacVeagh, chairman of the meeting, was directed to appoint a committee to visit Washington, and extend an invitation to the president.

Pittsburgh Man Killed.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—W. M. Southwell, a foreman of carpenters on the Wabash railroad, fell off a trestle at Mingo Junction today and sustained injuries from which he died in a few hours. Southwell arrived from Pittsburgh today to go to work on the Wabash. He was 50 years old and a son is foreman for Dietz Bros., of Pittsburgh.

Another Department on Double Turn.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The American Steel Hoop Company has started up another department of the upper plant double time. It is the seven-inch side of the combination. One more striker has returned to work.

MEANS OF COMBATING TUBERCULOSIS IN PRISON

Report on the Disease in Penal Institutions Is Transmitted to Congress.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Hay transmitted to the house today a report on the best means of combatting and treating tuberculosis and of avoiding its propagation in penal institutions of every kind. The report was prepared by Dr. J. B. Ransom, physician at Clinton prison, Dannemora N. Y.

Dr. Ranson says his statistics show that 19 states comprise what might be termed the tuberculosis area of the United States and within their borders are located all of the densely populated cities of the country. This area has a total population of 46,129,871 and a prison population of 29,167 of whom 1,097 have tuberculosis. The total tuberculosis prison population of the country is given as 2,151, a percentage of 4.88.

Dr. Ransom recommends governmental supervision of penal institutions, sanitary and airy buildings and a revision of punishment and exercise rules.

LARGE ORDERS SOON.

Pittsburgh Manufacturer Says Inquiries for Steel Rails Will Speedily Result in Large Contracts.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—A prominent Pittsburgh steel manufacturer is quoted by the Wall Street Journal as follows:

"The steel trade has a somewhat more quiet tone than that of two weeks ago. Large inquiries for steel rails are being received, and without question some large orders will be placed within the next week. There are many in the steel trade who believe th Unitd States Steel Corporation has ben manipulating the iron market for some time and that much of the buying of pig iron has been speculative. Most of the best posted people in the trade are somewhat more conservative than they were one month ago"

COKE IS A FACTOR.

Foundrymen Must Take It Into Consideration as Car Shortage Is in Effect.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Rogers, Brown & Co. have received the following from their Cleveland branch:

"The most important matter for the foundrymen to consider just now is the coke question. With ovens far behind on shipments, owing to operating troubles and a pronounced shortage of cars, the foundry managers are beginning to fear that they will have to close down their plants. Very high prices have been paid for quick shipment coke during the past week, and very little is being offered for delivery prior to January 1.

"There is a good demand right along for pig iron, both for prompt and future delivery."

TEXTITE MILL OWNERS WILL NOT ARBITRATE

FALL RIVER, MASS., Dec. 19.—The indications here today were the manufacturers would not agree to submit the strike issue to arbitration as proposed. The textile unions received a check for $5,000 today from the American Federation of Labor, making a total of $20,000 so far received as a result of the assessment levied by the San Francisco convention.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS VISIT EMPEROR AND EMPRESS

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—The emperor and empress received at Tsarkoe-Selo yesterday a party of 11 wounded officers and men fro mthe front. The emperor talked at considerable length with the officers. The empress presented each of the wounded men with a locket and picture as a souvenir of the visit.

Two Railroad Men Injured.

NEW CASTLE, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Engineer P. J. McCay and Fireman T. S. John of this city, were seriously hurt yesterday evening by jumping from their engine on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Akron Junction when they realized their train was about to collide with another freight. The air brakes did not respond and caused the wreck which did little damage.

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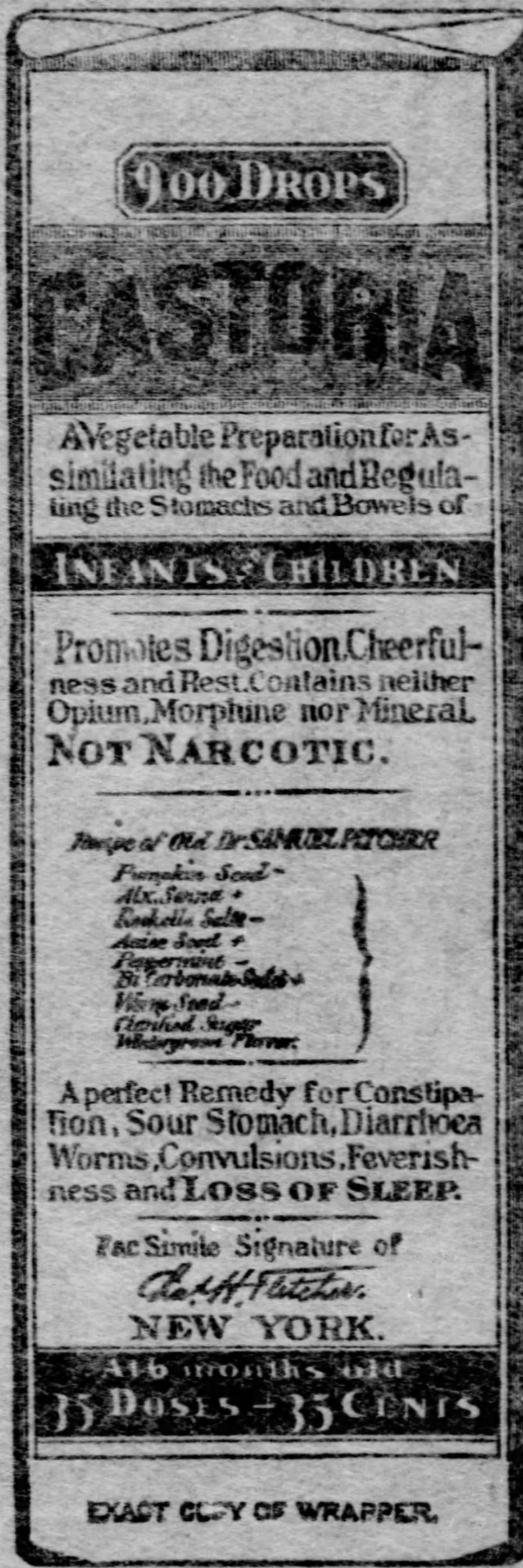

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received in the office of the city comptroller of the city of Allegheny until 2 o'clock p. m., on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1904, for furnishing the following supplies for the department of charities, from January 1, 1905, to January 1, 1906: Groceries, drygoods, meat, coal, drugs, in accordance with the specifications therefor prepared by and on file in the office of the department of charities. Each bid must be accompanied by a satisfactory bond (trust company bond preferred) in fifty (50) per centum of the amount of the bid. The bids to be opened publicly in the office of the mayor at 3 o'clock p. m., on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1904.

Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.
H. HUNNESHAGEN,
Director of the Department of Charities.

WYMAN BLOCKED ACTION ON BILL

Effort to Bring Up Delinquent Tax Ordinance in Allegheny Common Council.

M'ELROY SEEKS SUPPORT

An unexpected attempt was made last night in Allegheny common council to take up the ordinance providing for the placing of the delinquent tax collector on a salary of $4,000 a year. The meeting was called for the purpose of transacting routine business, and considering what action had been previously taken on the delinquent tax office bill, it was not expected that it would be heard from again during this term of councils.

C. L. Mohney of the Tenth ward made a motion that the ordinance, which last Thursday was laid on the shelf by select council, be taken up and that the action of the select branch be non-concurred in. Instantly there was almost a riot. Mayor Wyman, who was sitting near the door, rushed to the platform and whispered something into the ear of President Samuel McElroy. The latter, when things got quiet, refused to consider the motion. Delinquent Tax Collector Harry M. Davidson got busy and went through the council chamber talking in whispers to the various administration members of common. Mr. Mohney, in the meantime, was on his feet demanding that his motion, which had been seconded, be put before the house, but President McElroy refused to recognize Mohney, and proceeded with the regular order of business. Mohney declares he will have the measure brought before the body at the next meeting and that prior to that time he will have an understanding with President McElroy.

The latter is a candidate for re-election in the Second ward, and it is intimated he is trying to get both Republican and administration indorsements. Peter Imhof of the Thirteenth ward, who seconded the motion made by Mohney, is indignant and declares the administration was afraid to let the motion go to a vote.

The ordinance extending the time for the completion of the Howard & East Street Railway Company until August 19, 1905, passed by the select branch last Thursday night, failed by a vote of 18 to 12. The ordinance granting a franchise to the Allegheny, Evergreen & Millvale Street Railway Company, was passed almost unanimously.

NO NATIONAL BANK HERE HAS ANY CHADWICK PAPER

Examiner John B. Cunningham Makes a Positive Denial of the Reports to the Contrary.

No national bank in this section of the state has any Chadwick paper of importance. This statement was made yesterday by John B. Cunningham, national bank examiner. Mr. Cunningham said:

> No Pittsburgh or Western Pennsylvania national bank could loan Mrs. Chadwick a large sum of money without it coming to my notice. National banks in my district must report to me every transaction involving the distribution of any amount of money over $10,000. I have examined, since the Chadwick sensation began, every report, and have found, positively, that the woman has secured through no Pittsburgh national bank or from any bank in Western Pennsylvania, a loan of $10,000. That is sure. She has not borrowed in her own name, here, $10,000. Depositors can assure themselves to this extent.

Examiner Cunningham explained that there were two means by which money could be obtained from a national bank by Mrs. Chadwick without his knowing its ultimate source. One was through a law firm and the other through a reputable business man, whose credit for the amount was known to be good. He said that he could not recall a case recently of a law firm securing a loan as large as $50,000 from a Pittsburgh national bank.

When asked about the reported operations of secret service men in this city, ferreting out traces of Mrs. Chadwick's work, he said:

"I do not doubt it. United States District Attorney Sullivan of Eastern Ohio is anxious to get as much information of Mrs. Chadwick's alleged operations as possible. He might send secret service men here."

LOAN A PERSONAL ONE.

Attorney Thomas D. Chantler Repeats His Former Statement—Does Not Understand Beckwith.

Attorney Thomas D. Chantler of this city said yesterday that he had no knowledge of the significance of the statement accredited to President Beckwith of the Oberlin bank that "Attorney Chantler of Pittsburgh might enlighten some persons in this matter." Mr. Chantler refused to discuss the matter further.

In regard to the rumors that the $20,000 transaction between Mr. Chantler and Mrs. Chadwick was in the nature of a bonus or commission for the former negotiating a larger loan, Mr. Chantler said:

> The statement that the mortgage was given me to secure a bonus for a loan or a commission on such loan is not true. The money I loaned Mrs. Chadwick was my own money and the loan was a personal one. The statement I made last week relative to this matter is correct, and there has nothing developed which changes the situation. I made the statement that I had loaned her $20,000 some time ago and that the money had been repaid and she has been sent a satisfaction paper acknowledging the receipt of the money. I represented no one in that matter except myself and the money which was paid me was not a bonus or commission to secure her a loan from anyone. Further than that I will not discuss the affair, for, so far as I am concerned, the incident is closed, as I have my money and she has my receipt.

PITTSBURGHERS TO MARCH IN INAUGURAL PARADE

Young Men's Republican Club Is Assured of a Good Position in the Line.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—W. R. Brown and M. J. Sauff of Pittsburgh were here today and notified B. H. Warner, chairman of the committee on civic organizations, that the Young Men's Republican club of Pittsburgh would have 200 or 300 men in line at the inauguration parade. They requested that the club be assigned to a good position, which was promised them.

Representative Acheson introduced a petition from the Merchants and Manufacturers association of Pittsburgh, asking that the congressmen and senators co-operate to secure at this session of congress an appropriation for a pneumatic tube mail service between Pittsburgh and Allegheny. He also filed a petition from the Oakland board of trade favoring a nine-foot channel for the Ohio river and asking for improvements on the Monongahela. L. W. STRAYER.

WATERWAY FROM THE LAKES TO WEST VIRGINIA COAL

Organization to Secure Completion of Canal from Cleveland to Muskingum River.

MARIETTA, O., Dec. 19.—The Washington County Canal association organized here this evening, its purpose being to arouse sentiment in favor of completing the Ohio canal from Cleveland to Dresden, thus forming a five-foot waterway from the great lakes, via the Muskingum river to the coal regions in West Virginia. The meeting was enthusiastic and was largely attended by representative citizens from Parkersburg, Williamstown and Marietta. The officers elected follow: The Hon. Charles S. Dana, president; Dr. H. N. Curtis, vice president; O. S. Hawkins, Parkersburg, second vice president; T. M. Ripley, secretary; Charles Ward, treasurer.

Steps toward the completion of the canal will no doubt be taken immediately as keen interest was manifested, and indications are that a five-foot canal will be completed in two years.

"Queen" of Finance Now in Jail

MRS. CASSIE L. CHADWICK.
From Her Latest Photograph.

SAYS MRS. CHADWICK USED HANNA'S NAME

Bogus Notes With Face Value of $200,000 Are Held at Boston.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Another name was drawn into the Chadwick case today when it was reported that promissory notes aggregating $200,000, payable to Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick and bearing the name of the late Senator M. A. Hanna, were negotiated in Boston by Cleveland's "Queen of Finance." It is said, however, that the holders of the notes will pocket their loss to avoid publicity.

The statement is made by a reliable person, who claimed to have actually seen the notes and to know about the transactions. The man who is responsible for this statement refuses to divulge whether any paper bearing Senator Hanna's signature is held by a bank or by a private individual. He said:

"If I should mention a bank it would almost surely result in a run on the institution."

The notes are said to be two in number for $100,000 each, one dated January 3, 1904, payable 12 months after date, and the other dated January 5 of the same year and payable 18 months after date. A big bonus is said to have been the inducement offered by Mrs. Chadwick in this transaction.

NIECES STOLE AUNTIE'S BUGGY

Had Little Hallowe'en Fun With Boys for Horses—Young Men Were Accused.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Hallowe'en merrymaking was recalled in a trial before Justice H. O'Neil at Smithfield today. Three young women acknowledged that they took a buggy from the shed of Miss Downward at Highhouse. Miss Downward had warrants issued for the arrest of 11 young men, whom she claimed had taken the buggy and damaged it.

According to the testimony the girls, two of whom are nieces of Miss Downward, took the vehicle and, with a crowd of boys for horses, started out for a night of merriment. But when one of the young men took the lines he was dumped over the embankment. The case will probably be settled.

TWO MEN ARRESTED IN BURNING BUILDING

Property from House Found in Room They Occupied at Station.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—On the top floor of the four-story apartment house, 722 Carroll street, Brooklyn, fire discovered at 2 o'clock this afternoon, spread to the floor below, doing $5,000 damage. Two men were arrested in the burning building as suspicious persons and will have a hearing in the Myrtle avenue police court tomorrow morning. Property said to have been taken from the house was found in the room the men were in in the police station.

The prisoners said they were Henry John Mearns, aged 38, of Oil City, Pa., now living at 271 West Eleventh street, Manhattan, and Henry Simmonds, aged 24 of England, living at No. 37 Crescent avenue, Jersey City. Mearns said he was a detective employed by A. L. Boyer of 291 Garfield place, who is being sued for separation. Mearns and Simmonds were found roaming about the burning building by the salvage corps, who turned them over to the police. Simmonds said he represented a large Manhattan department store and was sent to Brooklyn to tack up signs.

Simmonds and Mearns said their only object in entering the building was to save life. At the station house Sergt. Gallagher did not search them and had them put in a small room with a detective to watch them. This detective was called out for a moment and when he returned he discovered under the table in the center of the room a purple and white enamel vase and a silver-framed picture. Though the prisoners denied all knowledge of the articles, the latter are said to have come from the building in which the fire occurred.

Three Workmen Injured.

CHARLEROI, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—While excavating at the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company's plant this afternoon three workmen were caught by a cave-in and injured. They are: Marker Ruse, hurst internally; Cortoreti Gioranni, right leg broken, and Vinderalo Cormell, fractured ankle.

Thousands of Women Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

Didn't Know I Had Kidney Trouble.

I had tried so many remedies without benefit that I was about discouraged, but in a few days after taking your wonderful Swamp-Root I began to feel better.

I was out of health and run down generally;

MRS. A. L. WALKER.

had no appetite, was dizzy and suffered with headache most of the time. I did not realize that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble, but somehow felt they might be, and I began taking Swamp-Root, as above stated. There is such a pleasant taste to Swamp-Root, and it goes right to the spot and certainly drives disease out of the system. It has cured me, and I cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers.

Gratefully yours,
MRS. A. L. WALKER,
21 McDaniel St., Atlanta, Ga.

WOMEN suffer untold misery because the nature of their disease is not always correctly understood; in many cases when doctoring they are led to believe that womb trouble or female weakness of some sort is responsible for their ills, when in fact disordered kidneys are the chief cause of their distressing troubles. Perhaps you suffer almost continually with pain in the back, bearing-down feelings, headache and utter exhaustion.

Your poor health makes you nervous, irritable and at times despondent; but thousands of just such suffering or broken-down women are being restored to health and strength every day by the use of that wonderful discovery, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

Why Swamp-Root Gives Strength.

Not only does Swamp-Root bring new life and activity to the kidneys, the cause of the trouble, but by strengthening the kidneys it acts as a general tonic and food for the entire constitution.

The mild and extraordinary effect of the world-famous kidney and bladder remedy, Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. A trial will convince anyone—and you may have a sample bottle sent free by mail.

In taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root you afford natural help to nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that has ever been discovered. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

To Prove What SWAMP-ROOT, the Great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy, Will do for You, Every Reader of The Daily Gazette May Have a Sample Bottle FREE by Mail.

EDITORIAL NOTICE—No matter how many doctors you have tried—no matter how much money you may have spent on other medicines, you really owe it to yourself, and to your family, to at least give Swamp-Root a trial. Its strongest friends today are those who had almost given up hope of ever becoming well again. So successful is Swamp-Root in promptly curing even the most distressing cases, that to prove its wonderful merits you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle.

In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say that you read this generous offer in The Pittsburgh Daily Gazette. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer. If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at all drug stores everywhere.

LIGHTS WERE TURNED OFF AND ORPHANS ADJOURNED

Darkness in Controller Larkin's Office Brought Conference to Sudden End—Only Three Present.

Three members of the Orphans central committee, W. H. Stevenson, W. B. Wolfe and W. C. Reitz, held a conference last night in the city controller's office that lasted until the electric lights were turned off. Then they adjourned. The light in the City hall is turned off by the engineer of the building every night at 10 o'clock, unless he receives notice that a meeting is to be held.

Promptly when the hour arrived last night he turned off the light, leaving the three Orphans in pitch darkness in the controller's inner office. It brought the conference to an abrupt conclusion. Controller Larkin was not able to be present owing to a severe sprain of the right wrist which he received by a fall on the ice Sunday. The condition of the weather kept other members of the committee away.

Mr. Wolfe said that nothing definite was done. Owing to the absence of other members no reports from the ward organizations could be received. He said that the procuring of signatures for the nomination papers of Controller Larkin was progressing satisfactorily, but that the work of nominating candidates for ward offices had not yet begun.

Many a manufacturer clings to the mistaken idea that his business is a peculiar one—that while other manufacturers are making fortunes through advertising his situation is different. This is not true. What will sell one thing will sell another.

Every good article can be advertised profitably, and the magnitude of results can only be measured by the demand which can thus be created—by the number of people who can be convinced that they should buy your goods.

If you manufacture any article which the intelligent and prudent men and women of America should buy, advertise that fact in The Saturday Evening Post. The Post is a weekly illustrated magazine. Once a week is none too often to advertise your goods. Formerly the large city merchant advertised only once or twice a week, but now he advertises every day. A weekly magazine makes four times the impression of a monthly, because it comes out four times to the monthly's once.

THE CURTIS PUBLISHING COMPANY
PHILADELPHIA
New York Boston Chicago

A famous New York Hatter makes

Oetting's Hats

Why not give him an Oetting hat for a Xmas gift? It will please him on Christmas and many other days.

I have many handsome styles made especially for the holiday season.

Imported Opera hats from France, proper styles and made in the very best manner at $5.

The finest at $7.

Fashionable silk hats at $6 and $5.

Finest derbies at $4 and $3.

Next best $2.25 and $1.75.

Splendid winter caps of fur, plush or cloth, for men and boys.

Holiday umbrellas for men at $6, $5, $4, $3, $2 and $1.

OTTO OETTING,
Fifth and Wylie,
on Court House hill.

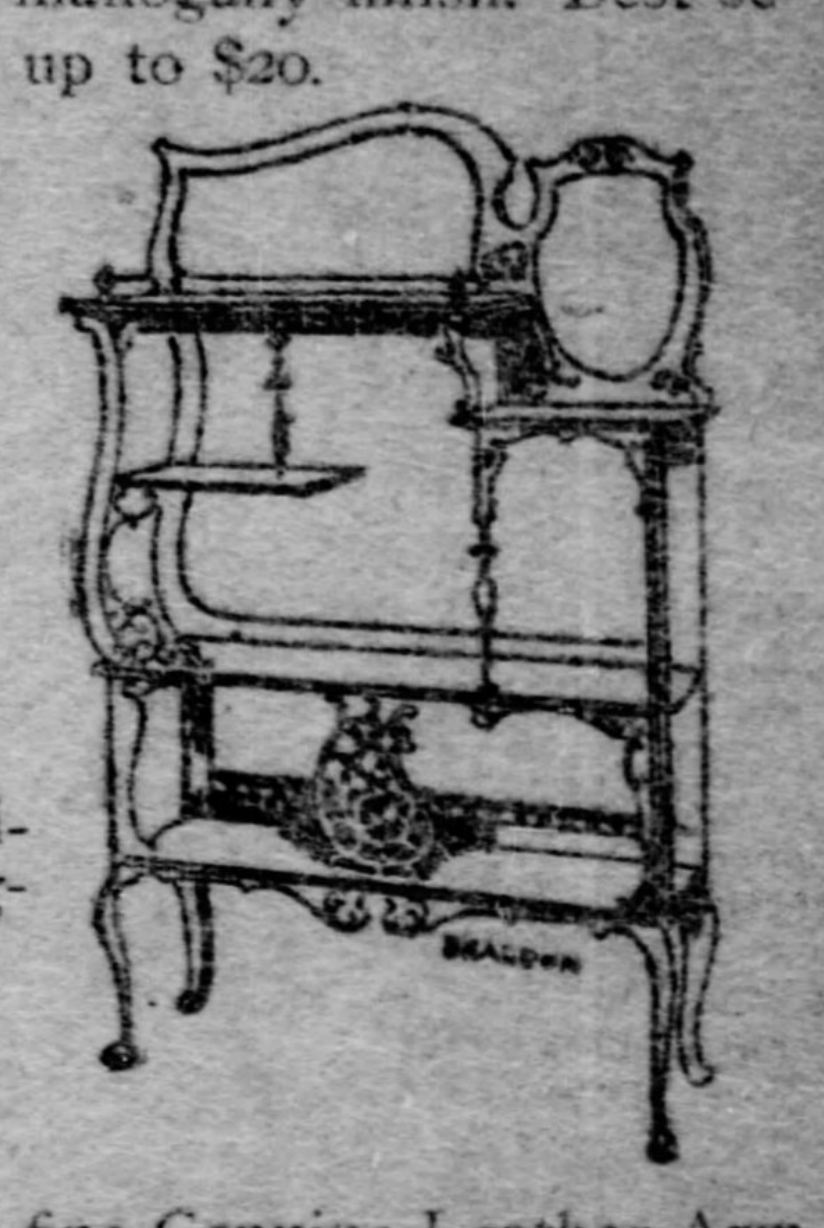
BLOOD DISEASES quickly and forever cured, without the use of Mercury or Iodide of Potash, by FLEMING'S SPECIFIC. A few weeks' use of this wonderful preparation will cure the most obstinate case. No matter what you may have used or what disappointments you may have met, Fleming's Specific will cure you, however chronic your trouble. Call or write for circulars. JOS. FLEMING & SON, 410-412 Market St., Pittsburgh.

TRY GAZETTE CLASSIFIED ADS.

There's a "Best" Feature

to all our Christmas offerings. Best for finish, design and value.

$5.00 for this Easy Morris Chair. Solid oak or mahogany finish. Best selection up to $20.



Take a look at our Parlor Cabinets. Vernis Martin and mahogany, from $10 up.

This fine Genuine Leather Arm Chair, hand carved heads on arms, carved feet, for.................. $20

This large easy Turkish Rocker, upholstered in best Chase Leather, for.... $21

Better look this store's stock over before buying—the large selections and the prices cannot but command your interest.

Speer & Hollar 914 PENN AVE.

GODDARD, HILL & CO.
WHOLESALE JEWELERS
237 FIFTH AVENUE (SECOND FLOOR)
LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
LOOSE AND MOUNTED
DIAMONDS, WATCHES, Etc.

Let This
Be An
ORIGINAL
Christmas

The choosing of the little gift troubles everybody. The more you think and study, the more puzzling it becomes. How weary you grow of the same old shop suggestions year after year—a handkerchief—a necktie—candy—some useless trifle.

But here is a new idea: give your friends, instead of the conventional gift, holiday packages of Nabisco Sugar Wafers—the most delightfully original little gift ever conceived.

These exquisite confections, in their glorious coverings of white and red and gold, are, for Christmas giving, further adorned with dainty holly ribbons, under which are beautifully illuminated cards to convey your compliments and good wishes. Nothing quite so pleasing as Nabisco for the little Christmas gift has ever before been seen.

Why not surprise your friends with this new expression of warmth and cheer—this charmingly original thought for Christmas?

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

REIGN OF TERROR IN PULLMAN CAR

Overturned in a Wreck, Fire Threatened Its Imprisoned Occupants.

CHOPPED OUT BY FIREMEN

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Press Building.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 19.

Imprisoned in an overturned Pullman coach, with flames of a burning coach adjoining it creeping toward them, a score of passengers on the New York and Chicago express, due here at 7:30 tonight but "side-swiped" by a Paoli accommodation on the Pennsylvania railroad, remained in suspense for nearly half an hour while firemen and railroad men hacked their way toward them. Of those in the coach 16 were injured, five of them seriously.

The wreck occurred at the Forty-fourth street and Girard avenue bridge. The Paoli locomotive struck the middle coach of the express, the Mercedes, overturning it. The headlight of the locomotive was shattered, the oil exploded and set fire to the overturned coach. The coach, in turning over, carried two others with it. It was the third coach with its burden of passengers that caused all the excitement.

With both ends of the car closed and the windows of the upturned side beyond reach the imprisoned passengers, rendered desperate by the smoke that threatened to suffocate them, trod on one another in efforts to escape. Men tore the clothing from screaming women and knocked down other men. Just as the car caught fire the firemen succeeded in cutting their way in to the passengers and released them.

Among the injured was Mrs. Blanche Jones of Pittsburgh. She declined to go to the hospital after her rescue, but was transferred to an uninjured car and continued her journey to Pittsburgh. She had been on a visit to friends in Newark.

COOKE DOESN'T KNOW HOW HE FELL IN BAY

Washington, D. C., Man Found in Icy Water With His Pockets Clear of Money.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—As the result of his plunge in the icy bay Humphreys R. Cooke of Washington, D. C., is seriously ill in Bellevue hospital. Pneumonia is threatened, and his condition was such today that no explanation could be obtained from him as to how he happened to go overboard. He was rescued Sunday at 8 o'clock in the morning off the Battery wall.

Cooke is a son of the late Henry D. Cooke, who was one of the first governors of the District of Columbia. He came to this city last Thursday, leaving Washington, it is said, against the wishes of his family, with the purpose of entering a Wall street brokerage house. He is said to have had a large sum of money when he left Washington, but when pulled out of the water he had not a cent in his pockets.

Mrs. J. R. Magruder of Washington, sister of Cooke, called at Bellevue today for the purpose of taking him back to Washington. The physicians refused to permit his removal. Cooke is held a prisoner, charged with attempting suicide.

KIDNAPED GIRL FOUND.

Anxious Father Is Successful After Searching for Her for Fifteen Years.

TACOMA, WASH., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—After 15 years' search James B. McDonald of Cincinnati has found in the forest at Twisp, Okoning county, many miles from railroads, his 19 year old daughter Lillie McDonald, who was kidnaped by two rough looking men June 10, 1889, while playing near her home a mile from Plainfield, N. J.

The kidnaping of Lillie broke up the McDonald home and a year later Mrs. McDonald died in Orange from a broken heart, resulting from terrible suspense. McDonald moved to Dayton and later to Cincinnati. He has spent a fortune in his efforts to recover his child who was found last week, as the adopted daughter of Mrs. Mary L. McCabe.

DISEASE CAUSES SUICIDE.

Young Machinist Could Not Stand an Affliction—Affianced Faints at Scene.

CINCINATI, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Suffering torments from an irritating disease which had produced eruptions all over his face and head, William Driscol of Springfield, O., a machinist and lately a cadet in the United States navy, ended his life today in his boarding house by drinking an ounce of carbolic acid.

Just as the coroner was going to the man's room to view the body, Miss Clara Felix, to whom Driscal was to have been married shortly, rushed in and, falling on her knees, covered the horribly burned face of her lover with kisses and then fell fainting across his body. It was some time before the young woman recovered and then her grief was pitiful. Driscol's body will be shipped to his home in Springfield.

GAVE THEIR LIFE BLOOD.

Member of a Hoosier College Society Open Their Arteries for Sake of a Fellow Member.

VINCENNES, IND., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Through the bravery displayed by young women of a Vincennes university society the life of Miss Katherine Organ, one of the members, was saved.

By an operation for appendicitis Miss Organ's blood supply was so diminished that her life was endangered. The physicians punctured the arteries of members of the society, and got enough healthy blood for the impoverished system of Miss Organ, so that she is out of danger.

Elections Held in Panama.

PANAMA, Dec. 19.—The municipal elections yesterday passed off without any disorder in any part of the republic. Of 53 municipalities the opposition claims to have carried 25. Of the big towns, Colon, Bocas del Toro, Los Santos and Sona were carried by supporters of the government. Panama, Agua Dulce and Santiago were carried by the opposition by small majorities. In other municipalities the vote was more or less evenly divided. In Chiriqui there was no opposition to the nonpartisan ticket.

Fireman Fell But Not Missed.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Clarence Willhide, fireman on train No. 4 of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, fell from his engine last night in the local yards and was not missed until the train rolled into the depot here. Another fireman was substituted and the train went on. In the meantime Willhide recovered consciousness and walked to Barrackville, where he caught a freight train which took him to his home in Grafton. His injuries are severe, but he will recover.

Coal Tipple Destroyed by Fire.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—A coal tipple of the Hutchinson Fuel and Coal Company of Byron, four miles south of Clarksburg, was destroyed by fire Friday night at a loss of $20,000, with about $7,000 insurance. Several miners were severely injured by falling timbers.

Preparing for Christmas in Allegheny Diamond

If there are those in this vicinity who complain that times are panicky, and that this Christmas is not to be as joyful as such days in the past several years, they should take a look about those places where year after year the Christmas tree and other greens associated with the event are sold. Nowhere within miles of Pittsburgh is there greater evidence of the interest being taken this year in the advent of Christmas than about the Allegheny Diamond. For years the small lawns about Carnegie library have been given over to flower merchants at this season, and in this square all kinds of Christmas floral decorations can be found.

Early last week the work of placing the stock of greens was started. Already several carloads of pines have been piled up in stacks in East and North Diamond streets, and all last night men worked at putting up booths at which will be sold the various floral novelties that each year are bought by those who enter into the spirit of the season and beautify their homes with floral bells, garlands, wreaths and mistletoe, not to mention the Christmas tree—that requisite in every home where there is at least one little one.

PHILADELPHIA SUFFERS A SPECTACULAR FIRE

It Destroys Property Valued at $200,000 and Attracts Huge Crowd of Christmas Shoppers.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The large three-story building at Nos. 919 and 921 Walnut street, occupied by half a dozen business concerns, was destroyed by fire tonight, entailing a loss of $200,000. Among the occupants of the building, which extended from Walnut to Sansom streets, were Henry T. Coates & Co., book publishers; Longhead & Co., printers; H. E. Schultz & Co., millinery and dress trimmings; A. K. Billstein, millinery goods, and D. Klein & Co., tailors.

The Irving house, which is largely patronized by the theatrical profession, and the Racquet club, which adjoin the burned property, were damaged principally by smoke and water.

The fire was one of the most exciting and spectacular that has occurred in a long time. Thousands of Christmas shoppers were attracted by the sight, and for a long time greatly hindered the firemen.

POPE SEES AMERICAN LADIES.

Bishop Brodrick of Havana, Presents His Mother and Mrs. Phoebe Hearst.

ROME, Dec. 19.—The Rt. Rev. R. F. Brodrick, auxiliary bishop of Havana, was received today in private audience by Pope Pius. His holiness conversed for some time with the bishop, mentioning particularly the latter's recent visit to Venice, recalling that Bishop Brodrick had conducted mass at St. Mary's and fed the pigeons in the piazza.

At the conclusion of the audience Bishop Brodrick presented to the pope his mother and Mrs. Phoebe Hearst of San Francisco. The pope presented each with a signed photograph of himself and bestowed upon them the apostolic benediction.

SAYS PRESIDENT SPOKE FOR OUTRAGED PUBLIC

FITCHBURG, MASS., Dec. 19.—Speaking on "Some Unsettled Problems of Public Policy," at the annual banquet of the Fitchburg Merchants' association tonight, President Jacob G. Schurman of Cornell university declared the great railroad combinations are the breeders of monopoly, and that President Roosevelt voiced the demand of an outraged public when he favored public regulation to secure just rates to all shippers.

Mrs. C. W. Brocknuier Is Dead.

Mrs. Mary E. Brocknuier, aged 65, died yesterday afternoon at her home, 50 Sherman avenue, Bellevue. She was born in Harrison county, Ind. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Asa Allison. She was married at Mauckport in 1861, to C. W. Brocknuier, a contractor, and lived there until 1866. They later lived in Sciotoville, O., Sewickley, Pittsburgh, and for 19 years in Bellevue. Mrs. Brocknuier was a worker in the Bellevue Christian church. She had belonged to the Christian denomination for 48 years. She is survived by her husband, a son, W. C. Brocknuier of Johnstown, Pa., and a brother, Allen Allison of Elizabeth Ind.

Decided Against Temperance People.

AKRON, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Mayor Kempel handed down a decision today to the effect that no names could be withdrawn from petitions for election under the Brannock law in seven residence districts in the city. The decision is a victory for the saloon people, as the anti-saloon league has been busy during the last few days securing withdrawals. There are no saloons in the districts and the "wets" want elections to keep the temperance vote from contests in other districts having saloons. The temperance people will appeal.

Somerset Has Plenty of Water.

SOMERSET, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Although the western part of the state is threatened by a water famine the town of Somerset is not in the slightest danger of water shortage. Somerset's water works is owned and operated by the municipality which it is declared accounts for the efficient management and the present adequate supply, while other towns are suffering from one of the severest droughts ever experienced. The supply comes from artesian wells.

Republic Company Abolishes Position.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 19.—It was officially announced here today that the office of general manager of the Republic Iron and Steel Company has been abolished, and with it the operative department, located at Chicago. W. L. Simonton, who has been the general manager of the company, has been transferred to a district superintendency in the oil and gas belt district in Indiana. Other changes are said to be pending.

Brazil to Tackle Religious Question.

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 19.—(Special Cable.)—Deputy Medeiros de Albuquerque has presented a bill to forbid the formation of new religious orders and to refuse admission to foreign friars and nuns. There will be a lively discussion, as the bill involves the whole religious question.

Pittsburgher Released from Jail.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—George Jordan of Pittsburgh was released from jail here today after serving several months. He was with George Harris when the latter was arrested at Connellsville charged with attempting to pick a pocket.

Want the Kaiser for Arbitrator.

GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR, Dec. 19.—Antonio Flores, former president of Ecuador, has been appointed minister to Germany with the special purpose of urging Emperor Nicholas to accept the designation of arbitrator in the boundary dispute between Ecuador and Colombia.

PIMA INDIANS OF ARIZONA ARE DYING OF STARVATION

President Roosevelt Is Informed of Serious Condition of the Red Men—Their Lands Are Unproductive Because of Water Famine.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Dr. Charles L. Thompson, secretary of the Presbyterian board of missions, discussed with President Roosevelt today the serious condition of the Pima Indians of Arizona. He told the president that the Indians actually were dying of starvation, because their lands had been rendered unproductive by the diversion of the water of streams running through them. The diversion of the water was caused by the development of plans of the government for irrigation of arid lands.

Through a commission, the president already has made an investigation of the matter, and it is not unlikely that pumping stations will be constructed on the Pima Indian lands to supply them with sufficient water for all purposes. These pumping stations will be erected in connection with the irrigation plants which are being put in under direction of the government.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HEARD GRAND OPERA

Senator Fairbanks and Other Distinguished Persons Occupied Boxes at Opening Production.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt and Vice President-elect and Mrs. Fairbanks were occupants of boxes at the opening production of grand opera at the Columbia theater tonight by the Savage company. Others in the presidential box were Miss Alice Roosevelt, Senator and Mrs. Lodge, and Senor Ojeda, the Spanish minister. Mr. Fairbanks had quite a party in his box, and other occupants of boxes included Secretary of the Navy Morton and party, Prince de Bearn and party of the French embassy, and Senators Kean of New Jersey and Hayburn of Idaho. Many diplomats and army and navy officers were in the orchestra. The opera put on was Puccini's la Boheme, which was given its first English production in Washington and was warmly received. The leading roles were taken by Joseph Sheehan, Winfred Gaff, Gertrude Rennyson and Marion Ivell.

SALARY CUT IN TWO.

Railroad Vice President Gives Up a Position at $30,000 a Year to Take One at $15,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—For reasons that have not been made public Joseph W. Blabon, fourth vice president of the Great Northern Railroad Company has given up his position, which is said to have paid him $30,000 a year, and has accepted a place in the traffic department of the Chicago & Alton at a salary of $15,000.

Mr. Blabon was close to J. J. Hill and Darius Miller, traffic head of the road, and seemed to be popular and efficient. He had been with the Great Northern for 14 years.

SECRETARY SHAW IS STRUCK BY STREET CAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Secretary Shaw was caught by a street car on Pennsylvania avenue this morning and narrowly escaped serious injury. The fender of a car handled by a careless motorman caught him, and he was carried along for a short distance before the car was stopped. The incident caused a commotion among the spectators, who recognized the secretary.

MORGAN BUYS OLDEST PIANO IN THE WORLD

JOPLIN, MO., Dec. 19.—J. Pierpont Morgan today purchased what is said to be the oldest piano in the world from Rudolph Vivoli of Firensola, Italy, who is now in Joplin, for $6,000. The instrument was exhibited at the Louisiana Purchase exposition by Mr. Vivoli. It was built in 1708 by Rossini, a famous musician of Europe.

No Pay for Four Months.

NEW CASTLE, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Mayor John C. Jackson has called a special meeting of councils for the purpose of having the sale of $12,000 worth of bonds approved, so that the street force can be paid. They have not received any pay for four months, the funds in that department having been exhausted.

Good Oil Well Drilled in.

BUTLER, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—One of the largest third sand gas wells in the county was drilled in late Saturday night near Myoma station, on the Extine farm, by James Extine & Co. When the drill was a few feet in the sand the gas was encountered. The men worked all night and the well was finally capped.

Slavish Miner Killed.

CONNELLSVILLE, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Mike Bellock, aged 35, a Slavish miner, was killed by a fall of slate today at the Leisenring No. 1 mine of the H. C. Frick Coke Company. His body was interred this evening in the Slavish cemetery at Trotter.

Wants $20,000 for Child's Death.

SHARON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Dennis has entered suit against S. P. Kettering of Sharon for $20,000 for the death of her four-year-old daughter, who was run down and killed by an ice wagon of the defendant.

SUIT TO KEEP ORGAN OUT OF A CHURCH

Depositions Being Taken to Establish Orthodoxy of Denomination on This Vital Point.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 19.—Depositions to be used in the suit to prevent the introduction of an organ into the Nashville Christian church were taken here today. The deponents were President J. W. McGarvey of the Bible college of Kentucky university; Burris A. Jenkins, president of the Kentucky university; Prof. H. L. Calhoun and Prof. B. C. Deweese of the Bible college.

The purpose of the majority of the congregation to install an organ and to co-operate with missionary societies led to the suit, which is intended to restrain them from using the church property. Until recent years this denomination has discountenanced instrumental music in public worship, and in some cases has not permitted missionary societies to be auxiliary to the church organization. The purpose of the deposition taken here is to show what is the orthodox belief.

President McGarvey withdrew from the Broadway Christian church here about a year ago because an organ was installed.

"KITTY" IS UNKNOWN.

New York Magistrate Has His Little Joke During the Gambling Case Trial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—In the Yorkville court today the hearing in the case against Julius Keller, charged with maintaining a gambling house at his hotel at Twenty-seventh street and Fourth avenue, in which Dr. I. Mordaunt Sigismund, a retired physician of 94 Lexington avenue, alleges he lost $4,000 in one year playing stuss, was continued. Michael Kelly, a former bartender, testified that until five weeks ago he took charge of the "kitty."

"The kitty?" said the magistrate. "What on earth is that?"

"I don't know either," said Mr. Nugent, counsel for the defense.

Magistrate Mayo laughed when Assistant District Attorney Croker said he thought he had heard of such a thing. The case was adjourned until Friday, Keller being released in $1,000 bail.

SAYS CINCINNATI IS NATION'S WICKEDEST CITY

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—According to the Rev. G. R. Robins, pastor of the Lincoln Park Institutional church, Cincinnati is to be visited by some dire calamity as a punishment for her extreme wickedness. In his sermon last night the Rev. Mr. Robbins said Cincinnati was without a doubt the wickedest city in the United States.

SOUR INTRUSION ON THE MINISTER'S MENU

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—While Sir Frederick Borden, minister of militia and defense of the Dominion of Canada, was seated at a dining table in the hotel Victoria today, papers were served on him notifying him of a contest for the seats in the Canadian parliament of the 10 Liberal members recently elected from Nova Scotia. The papers allege fraud and bribery in the election.

HAS LOST MUCH MONEY BUILDING WAR VESSELS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—"The Neafie & Levy Ship and Engine Building Company has lost $600,000 in the last few years on the building of government war vessels." This statement was made today by John Orange, one of the receivers for the company, at a meeting of creditors.

Pennsylvania Increases Crews.

ALTOONA, Dec. 19.—The Pennsylvania railroad added eight new crews of 48 men to the middle division today. The 116 crews on the division were unable to handle the trains and the number was increased to avoid freight congestion. Extra men will be promoted to regulars and the men suspended last spring put on extra.

Water Supply Getting Short.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The supply of water in the Unity reservoir near here will be exhausted in three days and unless rain falls or there is a quick thawing of the 10 inches of snow on the watershed, all consumers will be cut off. Last week it was estimated that the supply would be exhaused tomorrow, but drastic economy was practiced.

KAUFMANN'S
"THE BIG STORE"

Open Tonight Till 10 O'Clock

TO multitudes a trip through this great store is a far greater treat than going to a play—for its charms are manifold—something new and interesting at every turn of elbow and gaze. It's like visiting an exposition—crowds surge in and out in endless streams from apparently everywhere. Our immense restaurant on the 8th floor will be a jolly meeting place of friends; hundreds will enjoy the supper we've prepared or our splendid a la carte service. Our new swift elevators will quickly transport you from floor to floor—and our service in all departments will be the very best. Of course, you'll come to the store tonight, for shopping at night has its own agreeable charms.

Suggestions in women's
Suits, wraps and furs

"THE Big Store's" stocks of women's outerwear—suits, coats, skirts, waists, furs, etc., present particular attractions for seekers of such gifts—because of the unusual completeness of the various lines at this time and the unusual lowness of the prices:

Women's $21 to $35 suits at 14.85—these tailor-made suits come in cheviots, broadcloths and fancy materials—black, blue, brown, green, etc.—latest short and long jacket effects—reduced from $21, $25, $30 and $35 to............14.85

$15, $18 and $21 coats at 10.00—at least 25 styles of women's and misses' coats, in tan covert cloth, heavy English kersey, medium weight broadcloth and finest cheviot, satin or silk lined throughout — reduced from $15, $18 and $21 to..10.00

Crushed velvet coats, 5.98—here's a chance to get one of these very fashionable coats for very little money. They're worth $10 and $12 and come in the popular 27-in. length, lined with silk.

Fur lined coats at 16.50—that are worth $25 and $29—made of fine heavy broadcloth, lined with Russian squirrel; newest collar and cuffs; black, blue, brown, castor and red.

$30 to $40 velvet coats at 18.00—a number of styles of broadtail velvet and velour coats in the short blouse effect, 30 in. long and three-quarter length, fitted or loose back; black, brown or mole; reduced from $30, $35 and $40 to............18.00

$7.98 to $9 silk waists at 5.00—300 elegant silk waists and fancy dress waists, for evening or theater wear, or for wear with tailor made suits—in light evening shades, also newest dark colors, black and white—reduced from $7.98, $8.50 and $9 to..5.00

Women's knit blouses or sweaters—these are now very extensively worn and are ideally suited for Christmas giving. We show a very large assortment in plain colors, black, blue, brown and red, and fancy patterns, all sizes, at............1.49, 2.25 and 2.98

Fur scarfs—in astrachan, opossum, squirrel, French mink, beaver and marten, single and double length, cord and fringe trimmed—$6 and $7 values for.........3.98

Fine mink scarfs—natural or blended fur, shaped at neck or straight effect, extra long, ornament or tail trimmed—real value $35, special............16.50

Genuine Leipsic dye Persian lamb coats—22 in. long, new straight lapel; large storm collar, guaranteed made of large full-size silky curl skins—worth $85, special..59.00

Bric-a-brac and china: bargains

OUR great bric-a-brac, china and artwares department is exceedingly rich in gift suggestions—and at most tempting prices. Here will be found products of French, German, Austrian and Italian ateliers in a thousand and one different expressions of realistic art beauty.

Japanese vases—reproductions of Satsuma, various artistic shapes, decorations intermingled with heavy gold—specially priced at 12.50, 7.87, 4.87 and down to............1.48

Imported novelty face jugs—depicting the various nations of the world—$1.50 values at. 75c

Imported sugar and cream sets—beautifully decorated in floral designs and gold; special values at, set, 1.48, 98c, 75c and............48c

French china wall plaques—parlor, den and dining-room subjects; all at specially low prices—4.98, 3.87, 2.87, 1.87 and............48c

Complete assortment of bronze electroliers and parlor lamps, artistically shaped and decorated—at very low prices.

Imported Austrian china vases—tastefully decorated with natural colored blossoms and gold; also Bohemian glass vases with gold plated trimmings—worth up to $2.50; special at............98c

Genuine Haviland china plates—prettily decorated with floral wreath and clusters—worth 50c; special at............25c

Imported fish and game sets—appropriately decorated with natural subjects—from the exquisite hand-painted at 100.00 down to the inexpensive underglazed sets at............5.87

Fancy china bonbon boxes, hair receivers and olive dishes, in all the new shapes and decorations, 2.87 down to............25c

Give him a housecoat

PLAN for his comfort, he'll highly appreciate it. A housecoat is the gift of thoughtfulness. It's very easily bought here, as we've splendid sorts at 2.50, 3.50, 4.50 and up as high as 35.00. All kinds from the plain tricot coat to the sumptuous imported matelasse. And house gowns, too—immense stock of them here, ranging from 2.50 up to has high as 40.00.

Double-faced housecoats—plain shade with corresponding plaid back, also all-wool blanket robes—regular prices $3.90 and $5, special at............2.50

Fine double-faced coats—in plain and fancy designs, also fine eiderdown robes, blanket robes and terry cloth robes—worth $7.50, $8.50 and $10; choice at............5.00

Extra fine cloth, silk matelasse and brocatelle jackets, Venetian lined; also fine double-faced coats and blanket robes—reduced from $10 and $12 to............7.50

Finest quality all-silk lined jackets, also velvet coats and rich blanket robes—former prices $12 to $18; special at............10.00

The holiday book store

—is not a mere collection of fancy gift books such as find hurried sale among careless buyers—but the general enlarging and filling of all lines, from books of fairy tales to the classics of the greatest writers.

New books
The Prospector, by Ralph Connor............1.08
The Sea-Wolf, by Jack London............1.08
Beverly of Graustark, by George B. McCutcheon............1.08
In the Bishop's Carriage, by Miriam Michelson............1.08
The Castaway, by Hallie Rives............1.08
The House of Fulfillment, by Geo. Madden Martin............1.08
The Crossing, by Winston Churchill............1.08
God's Good Man, by Marie Corelli............1.08
All the new books in dainty white and gold holiday boxes free.

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The Simple Life
The authorized edition, cloth binding............15c
Cloth-bound books for boys and girls—
All the famous authors, such as Henty, Otis, Optic, Kellogg, Meade, Ellis, Stratemeyer, etc., choice, 45c
Copyright cloth-bound books—hundreds of famous titles to select from, former price $1.08......45c
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Out to Old Aunt Mary's—the Christy-Riley book, for today. 1.25
A Defective Santa Claus, by James Whitcomb Riley......1.00
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Kitty of the Roses, by Ralph Barbour............1.44
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THOS. BAILEY ALDRICH
An Interview With the Poet in
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O. HENRY'S STORY
"The Badge of Policeman O'Roon" in
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JIMMY BRITT AND BATTLING NELSON ARE READY FOR THEIR BATTLE

BOTH FIGHTERS ARE CONFIDENT

Nelson Expects a Bad Start but a Sure Victory—Britt Sure That He Will Win.

TALK OF THE PRINCIPALS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 19.—"I expect to be made a punching bag of for the first few rounds," said Battling Nelson this afternoon while discussing the possibilities of his contest with Jimmy Britt tomorrow night. "It will be a surprise to me if I am not well hammered at the start, for I figure that Britt has it on me in cleverness and will be able to shoot them in while he is good and fresh. But he won't hurt me, though, and I hope, if there are any wise Nelson men around the ring, they will snap whatever bets are offered while Jimmy is batting me around. I am used to taking my medicine in the early stages of a fight.

"I fully expected to get my customary dose in the opening rounds of my go with Young Corbett, and there was no one more astonished than I was over Corbett's failure to pummel me. Those who have watched me in my fights know that I don't get discouraged very easily. I may look like a 3-to-1 shot in the first five rounds of the contest with Britt, but after that it will go to even money. Then it will be 'Nelson favorite' and then 'Nelson wins.'

"You must excuse me for being so sporty in my talk, but I've got so many commissions to execute for my home folks that all my thoughts are turned to betting," added the Dane.

He displayed numbers of letters inclosing checks varying in amount from $20 to $500. He said that some of the letters were from residents of Hegewisch that he did not even know by name. These dwellers in the far-away Illinois village where Nelson has his home evidently feel that Nelson is invincible, and they seem to think that the safest way to place their bets is to forward the money to the Hegewisch boy.

"I think it will be a bit of a sensation out there at the pavilion when I begin to turn the tables on Jimmy," said Nelson. "I see where he told you he considered himself stronger than me. He may be—for a spurt—but I don't think he has the staying power that I have. To copy Jimmy's expression, 'I may be wrong,' but I don't think so. One thing he can rely upon: If he defeats me I'll be the first to grasp his hand and say: 'You're a better fighter than I am.' But, of course, he'll have to defeat me fairly and squarely to earn a compliment of that kind. If I lose through an accident, or if he gains a decision that I don't think he is entitled to, I won't be tossing any posies to him; I'll be after him for a return match."

Nelson was under weight today. He took a short walk in the morning and weighed 131 pounds after his rub. In the afternoon he went strolling with friends and took a camera with him. With the exception of a constitutional in the morning the whole of tomorrow's daylight hours will be devoted to rest.

"Send word to my friends across the Missouri that I am as fine as silk and as happy as a sand boy," said the battling one. "If I felt any better I'd be suspicious about it. Tell them, too, that I am going to bet heavily on myself. I expect to wager $1,500 and my friend Benner, from Chicago, will bet a similar amount. If the price should go to 2 to 1, as some persons seem to think it will, I don't know where we'll stop. I'll keep on betting as long as I have anything to bet with."

Incidentally the men who make a practice of holding bets do not expect to see any 2-to-1 betting. In Harry Corbett's, where sports meet to bind their bargain in the wagering line, the price all day was 10 to 7, with Nelson coin not over plentiful. The puzzling part of it is that wherever discussions were in progress the conclusion usually arrived at was that the chances of the men appeared to be equal. The only reason adduced for Britt being the favorite is that the contest is to take place "in Britt's town."

Win or lose, Nelson will start for home soon after the contest, so as to spend New Year's with his relatives in Hegewisch. If he is successful in the fight he will accept several theatrical engagements that have been offered him, but will return to the ring in the near future. If he is defeated by Britt he will lose no time in trying to repair his shattered reputation. He will seek a match with some other man in his class without delay and will express a preference for Terry McGovern.

Young Corbett announced tonight that he would challenge the winner of tomorrow night's contest from the ringside.

Jimmy Britt spent a comparatively restful day on the beach. The regular schedule of work being dispensed with, he was allowed to slumber until the sun was high. After breakfast he took a brisk walk along the park roads and then enjoyed a shower and a rubdown. His weight was within a fraction of 132 pounds and he was satisfied that he would drop below the required notch without further exercise.

Spider Kelly, who has supervised Britt's training, believes that tomorrow night's contest will be replete with body punching of the fiercest kind and that the endurance of both men will be thoroughly tested.

"I think Britt will surprise his most ardent admirers even," said Kelly. "His body blows go in like shot from a cannon. And let me tell you something. When Joe Gans, with all his cleverness and coolness, couldn't stop Jimmy's rib-benders, I don't see how Battling Nelson is going to avoid them."

KENILWORTH'S FINE SHOWING.

Made a Sudden Recovery of Form and Beat a Fine Field.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 19.—Two out of six favorites won at Ascot today, the other races going to second choices or well-played outsiders. Kenilworth showed a sudden recovery of form in the third race and led his field a merry chase from start to finish, covering the six furlongs in 1:13¾. Summary:

First race, 7 furlongs—Namtor, 113, Dugan, even, won; Dorice, 101, Sinnot, 6 to 1, second; Crigli, 101, Moriarity, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:28¾.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Homebred, 101, Miller, 8 to 1, won; Hilona, 100, McDaniel, even, second; Sportsman, 96, Kent, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:01.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Kenilworth, 103, H. Smith, 7 to 1, won; Tim Payne, 102, Hildebrand, even, second; Judge Denton, 105, Otis, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:13¾.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles—Requiter, 110, Dugan, even, won; Chub, 103, Herbert, 4 to 1, second; Harbor, 103, Miller, 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:47½.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Cloverton, 185, Otis, 7 to 1, won; Rag Tag, 109, E. Walsh, 11 to 1, second; Laureatea, 102, Hildebrand, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:14¾.

Sixth race, mile—Potrero Grande, 104, McDaniels, 9 to 2, won; Lanark, 101, Lawrence, 20 to 1, second; Iris, 104, E. Walsh, 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:42½.

AMERICAN SOO WINS FROM CANADIANS, 6 TO 2

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The Michigan team played the Ontario Soo team here tonight in an International Hockey league game and won from the Canadians, 6 to 2. The game was rough and many men decorated the sides. Brown and Laviolette tried to make an impression on each other with their sticks at one period of the game and succeeded fairly well. The Canadians scored their first goal on a lift by Findley. "Jigger" Robinson made a grandstand play, carrying the puck the full length of the ice and passing it to Stephens, who scored the second goal. The half ended with the score 1 to 1. Lineup:

Soo-Michigan—6.		Soo-Ontario—2.
Jones	Goal	Maultman
Howell	Point	Findlay
Hamilton	Cover	O'Leary
Stephens	Forward	Taylor
Robinson	Center	Collins
Laviolllette	Right Wing	Brown
Switzer	Left Wing	McLurg

Referee—Burke.

Celebrates 58th Wedding Anniversary.

AKRON, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. William A. Berg, prominent residents, celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary today. They were married in a house at 269 Exchange street and have lived in the same house ever since.

Pigeons Raced from New York.

The homing pigeon match race from New York to this city, which was held on Sunday, was won by Mr. Schultz's blue hen, which made the distance in 345 minutes. King Bird was second in 355 minutes, and Red Boy, owned by Mr. Menehen, was third.

Constipation and Indigestion

are at the root of half the ills you suffer, but they are quickly cured by DR. THOMAS' UNCOOKED WHEAT BREAD. It's inexpensive. See B. S. Dunning, special agent, 122 Bissell block, Seventh avenue and Smithfield street.

Turkeys Are Cheap

if bought at McCann's where quality is guaranteed—only reliable dealers. 101-110 Market street.

NEW FOOTBALL LEADER.

RICHARD MUELLER,
Elected Captain of the Shadyside Academy Eleven for Next Fall.

DICK MUELLER IS CAPTAIN OF THE SHADYSIDE ELEVEN

Chosen Over Fred McCutcheon by Majority of Three Votes—Other School and College News.

Richard Mueller was elected captain of the Shadyside Academy football team for next season yesterday afternoon. Fred McCutcheon, who was the only other nominee, was beaten by Mueller by three votes, Mueller getting eight. The following "S" men voted: Ex-Capt. Williams, J. McCutcheon, F. McCutcheon, Curry, Mueller, Darsie, Patterson, Martin, Borntraeger, McCoy, Herron and Uptegraf.

Mueller played left end on the team two seasons and is a strong player. His work in the Princeton freshman game a year ago and the Lawrenceville game this year was of the highest order.

The college boys are returning home for the holiday vacation. Many congregate at Duquesne garden. Don Doyle and Henry Llyod were the first home from Princeton. Frank Zoch is the advance guard of the Cornell crowd. Phil. Lewis, the former Cornell shortstop, who played with Baltimore last year, and who goes to the Brooklyn National league team the coming season, is home from a barnstorming trip to Cuba.

Syl. Preston of Pittsburgh, captain of the Cornell university hockey team, last night telegraphed The Gazette that Cornell will not play in this city during the holidays. An effort was being made to have Cornell play Yale here next week. Most of the Cornell players live in the west and do not wish to be away from home during the holidays. The Toronto university seven may be here next week to play Yale.

A. G. Port, Wisconsin's crack sprinter, has left the university and will enter Michigan. He does the 100 yards in :09 4-5. Wisconsin was counting on him to win several points in the conference meet.

PITTSBURGHERS BEATEN BY THE CALUMET TEAM

Score Stands 3 to 10 After a Magnificent Game Free From Rough Tactics.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CALUMET, MICH., Dec. 19.—Pittsburgh lost to the Calumet International hockey team in the opening game at Palestra tonight, 3 to 10. The game was from from rough tactics and there was splendid exhibitions of the great Canadian sport. The visitors were clearly outplayed by the locals who were strong at offense and defense. Strike, Mallen and Stuart were the stars. The Pittsburgh forwards would time after time rush down on the Calumet goal only to lose puck and be scored on. Roberts did good work, showing great speed. Campbell was strong on offensive. Scott was the only player who resorted to slashing. He was ruled off three times for a total of 10 minutes. Mackey appeared weak at goal, but the clever shoots of Strike and Mallen were impossible to block. Calumet appears the most formidable competitor for the league pennant and the only teams untested are the American and Canadian Soo's. Lineup:

Pittsburgh.	Position.	Calumet.
Mackey	Goal	Nicholson
Melville	Point	McMillian
Duval	Cover Point	H. Stuart, Capt.
Spittal, Roberts	Rover	Mallen
Campbell	Center	Strike
Black	Right Wing	Scott
Roberts, Spittal	Left Wing	Gardner

Referee, Conney Shields. Score, first half, Calumet 5; Pittsburgh 1. Second half, Calumet 10; Pittsburgh 3. Goals, Campbell, 2; Roberts 1, Gardner 1, Mallen 3, Scott 1, Strike 4, Stuart 1. Twenty-minute halves. Attendance, 2,500.

FREEDOM FIVE DEFEATED.

Manchester Wins Game from Joe. Thompson's Pupils, 18 to 14.

The Freedom five lost to Manchester last night at Raleigh hall, 18 to 14. Walter East caught his hand on the wire cage and cut one of his fingers nearly off. He stuck to the game, however, until the end of the half, when he retired in favor of George, who took left forward, while West went to guard. The score for the first half was 9 to 8 in Manchester's favor. Lineup:

Manchester—18.		Freedom—14.
Patterson	R. F.	Thompson
Koch	L. F.	West, George
Metzker	C.	Edgar
Graham	R. G.	East, West
Burry	L. G.	Goettman

Goals from field—Koch 5, Burry, West 2, Edgar 2, East. Goals from foul—Graham 6, Edgar 2, George 2. Fouls called—On Manchester 9, on Freedom 10. Referees—Little and Melhuish. Scorer—D. Gottlieb. Timer—E. Lowrie.

The preliminary was played by the Manchester Juniors and the State Five. Lineup:

Manchester Juniors—50.		State Five—26.
O'Neil	R. F.	Gordon
Tannehill	L. F.	Hoffman
Rimmel	C.	Hess
Graham, Billinger	R. G.	Schmidt
Alton	L. G.	Jones

Goals from field—Tannehill 11, O'Neil 6, Rimmel 2, Alton 2, Graham, Billinger, Jones 5, Gordon 2, Hoffman 2, Hess 2, Schmidt. Goals from foul—Tannehill 4, Hess 2. Referee—Graham. Scorer—F. Miller. Timer—E. Lowrie.

Too Late to Restore Sultan's Prestige.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Times correspondent at Tangier thinks the sultan of Morocco's reactionary policy means that he is playing for popularity with the tribes, but the correspondent adds that it is too late to restore his lost prestige.

SUDDEN BRACE BY BRUNSWICK

Down-Town Bowling Team Was a Mark for a Week, but Finally Showed Good Form.

MANY OTHER FAST GAMES

The Brunswick team of the County Bowling league, which has been a mark for the other teams for a week or more, took a sudden brace last night and captured all three games from the Millvale team. These games were bowled on the Millvale aleys and were witnessed by quite a large crowd of spectators. Diensbier of the Brunswick team had high score, with 205; also high average, with 190. Scores:

Brunswick—			
Nicoret	151	179	191
Hergaroeder	153	154	145
Diensbier	205	183	182
Hartman	182	[illegible]	158
Kramer	200	180	177
Totals	891	893	853
Millvale—			
Houlahen	200	181	159
D. Jackson	178	148	169
Shan	138	162	154
Brown	183	154	139
Meyers	168	186	203
Totals	873	831	824

In the City league the Herron Hill team took two out of three games from Mt. Troy. Gebbhart of Mt. Troy had high score, with 223. The scores:

Mt. Troy—			
Stehle	130	133	196
Weidner	180	200	166
Schutz	148	131	...
Matzgar	...	...	179
Pearce	162	179	195
Gebbhart	133	159	223
Totals	753	811	959
Herron Hill—			
Erosskoentz	156	165	163
Fisher	183	188	164
Downey	130	153	182
Fuselman	176	133	176
Napf	176	207	169
Totals	820	846	856

In the Diocesan league two games were bowled, St. Aloysius taking three games from St. Vincent and St. Joseph winning all three games from St. Anthony. Scores:

St. Vincent—			
F. Paulen	136	108	...
Dapper	121	122	152
Freidel	145	159	123
Heltz	164	150	151
Stack	143	152	156
W. Paulen	...	...	134
Totals	709	720	711
St. Aloysius—			
Schuler	155	190	153
Rebholz	134	148	158
Knell	156	153	166
Kirk	139	175	159
Suelisance	154	133	142
Totals	738	799	778
St. Joseph—			
M. Hungerman	165	176	139
Milfert	194	152	202
Gimperle	157	158	171
Gaus	188	149	139
Myers	197	176	170
Totals	901	845	821
St. Anthony—			
M. Feldt	162	178	221
Thomas	172	170	154
Westman	147	137	155
Ebner	138	130	150
F. Feldt	147	125	137
Totals	767	740	817

In the Drug league May's team took two out of three from Allegheny. Fleishman of May's had high score, with 216. Scores:

Allegheny—			
Snyder	157	129	131
Coombs	112	127	151
Watson	139	167	144
Heyl	148	146	144
Speng	213	149	201
Totals	759	717	771
May's—			
M. Hirsch	147	176	169
Fleishman	172	216	177
Ginger	130	161	150
H. Hirsch	145	124	105
Hochstetter	190	147	157
Totals	786	827	758

INDEPENDENT PLAYERS.

Shettler and Jake Chambers Signed for Dallas (Tex.) League Club.

Don Curtis, a former West Virginia University outfielder, now manager of the Dallas (Tex.) league team, was in Pittsburgh yesterday and signed Pitcher Shettler, the youngster developed by Burgess Hickey of Millvale last summer, and First Baseman Jake Chambers of the Turtle Creek Athletics. Carl Heinz, the pitcher, is the third local player to go with Dallas.

Third Baseman Kelly, signed by Harry Tate for Cumberland, is a brother of Joe Kelley, the Cincinnati manager.

The Tri-State club owners will discuss a reduction in salaries at the next meeting of the league.

The Lebanon franchise of the Tri-State will probably transferred to Reading or Pottstown, unless the Lebanon management is given better support financially.

Nationals in First Place.

The Nationals, by beating the Irvings last evening 2 to 1, took first place in the Duquesne Amateur Hockey league. Lineup:

Nationals—2.		Irvings—1.
Blalas	Guard	Chandler
Seager	Point	Schmidt
Leitch	Cover Point	Duffy
C. McFarland	Center	Meyers
Charles	Forward	Beegle
McMorris	Right Wing	Thomas
H. McFarland	Left Wing	Campbell, Werner

Goals—H. McFarland, C. McFarland, Beegle. Referee—Wadlow.

FAIRBANKS WANTS IT.

Press Bureau Booming Him for the Next Presidential Candidate—Will Make Speeches.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Senator Fairbanks is already in the field for the presidential nomination in 1908. A Fairbanks literary bureau in Indianapolis is fully organized and hard at work, and the senator has a program to make every speech he can. He will accept all invitations, and thus far has made a very fair record.

Every speech of the senator's is sent out in full from the Indianapolis headquarters and otherwise his personality is being exploited.

PIRATES' PLANS ARE MAPPED OUT

List of Players Has Been Cut Down and Officials Are Confident of the Future.

PRESIDENT PULLIAM IS HERE

Notwithstanding that the winter season has only got a good start there were signs of spring around local baseball headquarters yesterday when Harry Pulliam, president of the National league, President Dreyfuss and Manager Clarke of the Pirates got together and talked baseball. The two presidents, Pulliam and Dreyfuss, got in from the east and were full of talk about the recent league meeting.

Pulliam, who is on his way south to spend the holidays, stopped over to visit friends, and will spend three or four days here, after which he will go south and finally bring up in Cincinnati, to attend the meeting of the National commission, of which he is a member. At this meeting the matter of the minor leagues' demands will be up for official consideration, and the leader of the National league does not look for any trouble but anticipates a compromise between the stands taken by the National and American.

President Dreyfuss found a number of letters from players awaiting his arrival. The first opened was from Catcher Fred Carisch, who, it will be remembered, was a typhoid fever victim. Carisch writes that he now weighs 180 pounds and that he intends starting in on gymnasium work in order to keep his weight down. The second letter was from the new player, Clancy, who writes that he is confident of his ability to make good and is glad to get a chance with the Pirates. He states that he has never had a chance at spring training and feels sure that the trip to Hot Springs will just be what he needs to put him in fine playing shape.

Harry Cassidy, the ex-college player secured during the season in the west and afterward loaned to the Youngstown club, informs the club owner that he is spending his days as a clothing salesman and in the evening he is studying law. He is glad that he is to get another chance to show his ability, and as he has the ambition to hold a place in the big league, he will work hard for success. Harry McCormick, who is spending the winter days working in a foundry at Steelton, Pa., wants to know where he stands, as he reads in the papers that he had been traded but had no official notification to that effect.

Relative to the deal made with the Philadelphia club, which is not yet complete, the Pirates' owner says that the player yet to be received from the Quakers is a new man whose name does not appear on the club roster, but the Phillies have a claim on him and will land him soon. Mr. Dreyfuss admits that with Manager Clarke he has gone over the Pirates list of players, and they have decided on the ones to be retained and those to be let out, but they are not yet ready to give out the list. The club owner spent some time in studying over the records of McBride and Howard, and according to the official figures those players look very good.

The figures on the work of Howard are as follows: He took part in 144 games, scored 113 runs, made 184 base hits for a total of 300 bases, which shows he is strong with the bat; made 20 sacrifice hits and stole 30 bases. McBride's batting record does not stand out very strong, as he was handicapped by injury just when he was beginning to wield the bat with effect, but his fielding record shows him to be a strong player. He took part in 130 games, had 370 put outs, 449 assists, 85 errors, and his total chances were 905. This record shows that McBride accepted more chances than any infielder in the National or American leagues.

Manager Fred Clarke left last night for his home in Kansas, to remain until it is time to report for spring practice. Before his departure Clarke telegraphed McBride, who lives in Milwaukee, to meet him in Chicago today, and the pair will hold a conference. Clarke wants to make sure of the soundness of the new player's leg, which was injured last season. This injury, by the way, was one of the same kind suffered by Clarke and which kept him out of the game the best part of last season.

WEEKS IS ELECTED.

Pittsburgher Chosen Football Manager at W. & J. on Fourty-First Ballot.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—John C. Weeks of Pittsburgh today was elected manager of the W. & J. football team for next season. The choice was made after a bitter fight, the athletic committee being deadlocked for several days.

There were two avowed candidates for the position, H. D. Kennedy of Uniontown and Alexander Reed of Washington. When it was found that neither could be elected Weeks was taken up as a dark horse, being elected on the forty-first ballot.

Big Game Tonight.

All preparations have been made for the game at Odd Fellows hall, South Side, tonight between the team of professionals of the east and the South Side champions. Following will be the lineup: Philadelphia—Bloom, right forward; E. Haldeman, left forward; Hancock, center; W. Haldeman-Devine, right guard; Newman, left guard. South Side—Liebau, right forward; Leithead-East, left forward; Nickel-Weitzel, center; Windeknecht, right guard; Seibel-Campbell, left guard.

Oldfield and Vanderbilt Will Race.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—It is now a practical certainty that Barney Oldfield will race W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., at the Ormond-Daytona tournament in Florida next month. Although it has been stated that Oldfield would not go to the beach next month, his entry was received today. Vanderbilt's entry was the first received.

Mistake in Names.

A mistake in the makeup had the name of Carl Heinz under the picture of Walter Straub and vice versa in Monday's issue of The Gazette.

AMONG THE PASSERS.

The Fairbank and C. V. B. teams will play tonight at Carnegie.

The Manchester team will play the Young Americans Saturday night at Homestead.

The Allegheny Lyceum Juniors will meet the Railroads of the Manchester league tonight.

The Tenth U. P. team wants games. Address R. J. Sternagle, 1112 Frick building.

Columbia council is without a game for Thursday. Address B. Greenstone, 820 Fifth avenue, city.

The Indiana A. A. desires a game Friday evening, December 23. Address B. H. Lichteberger, Indiana, Pa.

The Fayette A. C. wishes to notify the St. Lukes that it will be unable to keep the date arranged for tonight.

Company F defeated Birmingham 20 to 12. The following Company F players are to report at the Union depot this evening at 7 o'clock: Capt. Duff, Finerty, McCandless, Worrell, Engstrom, Monroe, Hunziker and Whitehead. They will play at McDonald.

THE FAVORITES WERE IN VERY TOUGH LUCK

Poor Work by Jockeys and Accidents on the Way Caused Downfall of Public Choices.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—But for Pawtucket's stumble at the post in the first race, which unseated Jockey Nicol, and Phillips' bungling ride on Trapper in the third race, the favorites would have had much the best of it today. Swift Wing, the third beaten favorite, had the worst racing luck, meeting interference at every stage of the journey. Summary:

First race, 5 furlongs—Jake Sanders, 109, Nicol, 7 to 2, won; Shook the Talent, 109, Munro, 17 to 1, second; Harpoon, 110, E. Morrison, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:04.

Second race, mile—De Reszke, 107, J. Martin, 6 to 5, won; Gay Boy, 107, Powell, 3 to 1, second; Jake Greenberg, 107, H. Phillips, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Kittie Platt, 100, Aubuchon, 6 to 1, won; Moorish Damsel, 95, Crimmins, 20 to 1, second; Trapper, 118, H. Phillips, 3 to 5, third. Time, 1:30 4-5.

Fourth race, mile and 20 yards, handicap—Au Revoir, 104, Nicol, 4 to 5, won; Careless, 103, H. Phillips, 8 to 5, second; Montebank, 103, Cocolo, 16 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs—George Perry, 95, Aubuchon, 30 to 1, won; Glendon, 97, J. Conway, 20 to 1, second; Flora Levy, 90, L. Williams, 75 to 1, third. Time, 1:32 1-5.

Sixth race, mile and 70 yards—Autolight, 115, H. Phillips, 8 to 5, won; Arab, 102, Rheinheimer, 30 to 1, second; Topic, 105, Callahan, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:51 1-5.

ARE ALL AT SEA.

Eastern Sports Are at a Loss How to Bet on the Fight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—New York pugilistic experts are a little shy as to how this Britt-Nelson fight should be "doped" out tomorrow night. They can't get over the fact that Britt should have beaten Gans and they have only a vague, far away notion as to the real ability of Battling Nelson.

However, what little betting has been made finds Britt a favorite, and likely to remain one up to the time that the men enter the ring.

LUSH WILL COACH THE YALE BASEBALL CANDIDATES

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Officials of the Cleveland baseball nine have been notified that Billy Lush, their grand outfielder, will be engaged as coach of the Yale baseball nine during the winter months, joining the Clevelands early in April. Yale has not had a professional coach since 1894, when John Clarkson handled the team.

Indiana Has a Picinic.

INDIANA, PA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The Homestead basketball team was defeated tonight by the Old Boys, 51 to 16. The visitors closed the first half with four points to 31 for Indiana. Lineup:

Indiana—51.		Homestead—16.
B. McCreight	R. F.	Hamilton, Steele
Moorhead, M'Kallip	R. F.	Luppolt, Getzyger
St. Clair	C.	Steel, Hamilton
C. McCreight	R. G.	Jones
Gamble, McGregor	L. G.	Parker, Luppold

Field goals—B. McCreight 6, Moorhead 3, St. Clair 4, C. McCreight 5, Gamble 3, McGregor 2, Luppold 3, Hamilton 3, Steele. Goals from foul—McCreight 5, Luppold 2. Referee—Daugherty.

"Deacon Phil's" Improved Pitch.

Tommy Leach was in Lajoie's store in Cleveland recently long enough to say to the Nap's big manager:

"Good thing you are not going to be in the National league next season."

"Why?" asked Larry.

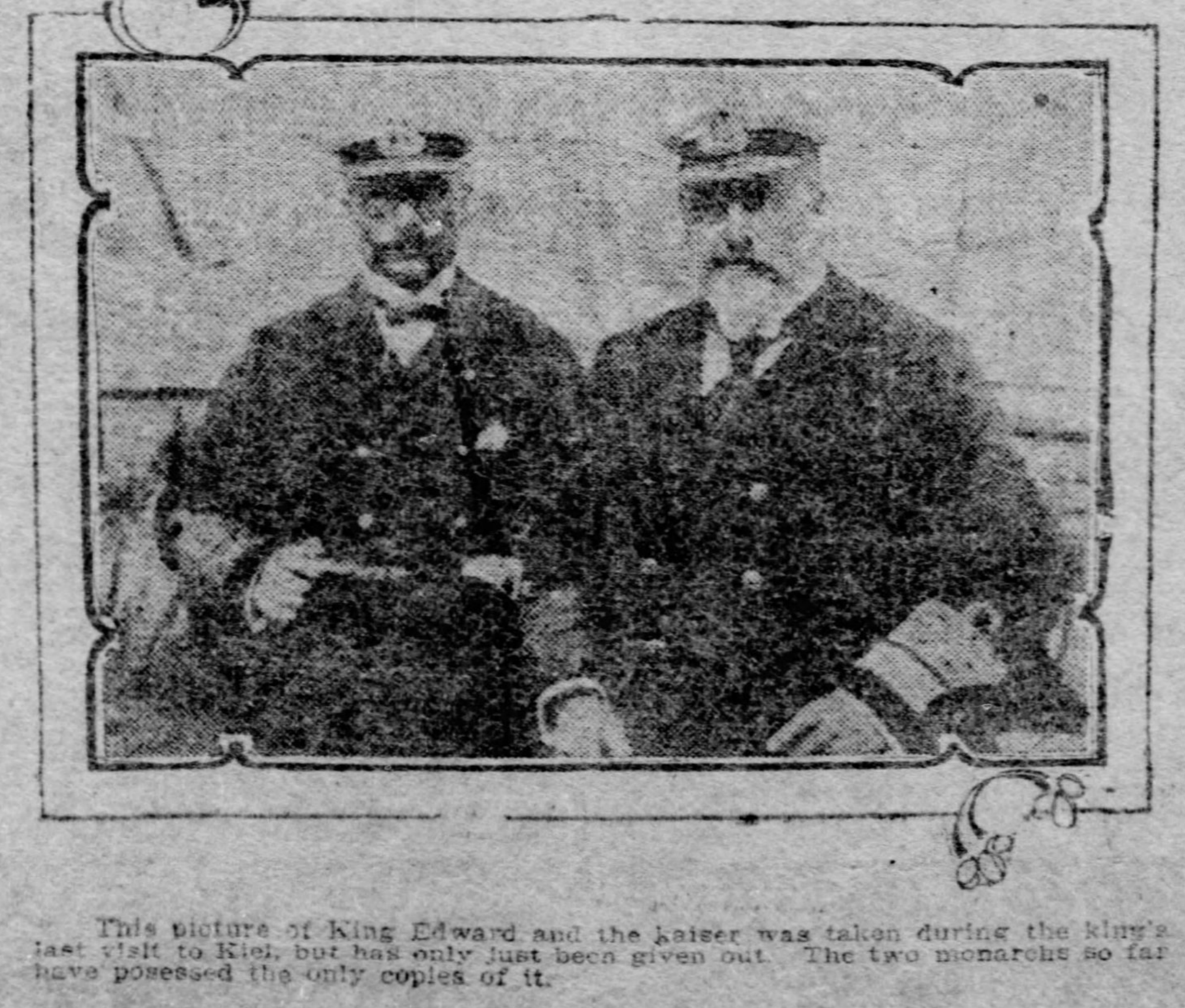
"Phillippe would stand you on your head with his new ball," said Tommy.

"What's it like?" the big Frenchman inquired.

"Nothing else on earth," remarked Leach. "It's a spit ball with an upward shoot. Phillippe practiced it all last season, and will turn it loose next year. It can't be hit except by pure luck."

Will Be Many Boxing Bouts.

Tonight at Old City hall there will be some good boxing bouts, also the returns of the Britt-Nelson fight. There will be four special bouts. Joe Alton will meet Rube Franz, Patsy Brannigan will meet Young Zirringer, Alf Quigley will meet Kid Feeny, and Paul Moore will go against Tom Sweeny. In addition the following boxers will appear: Frank McQuade, George Creamens, Tommy O'Neil, Harry Palmer, Kid Lavelle, Bart Conley, Tom Connelly, Jim O'Neil, Young Bastey, Jim Clark, Mark Kerwin and Tommy Dixon.



This picture of King Edward and the kaiser was taken during the king's last visit to Kiel, but has only just been given out. The two monarchs so far have posessed the only copies of it.

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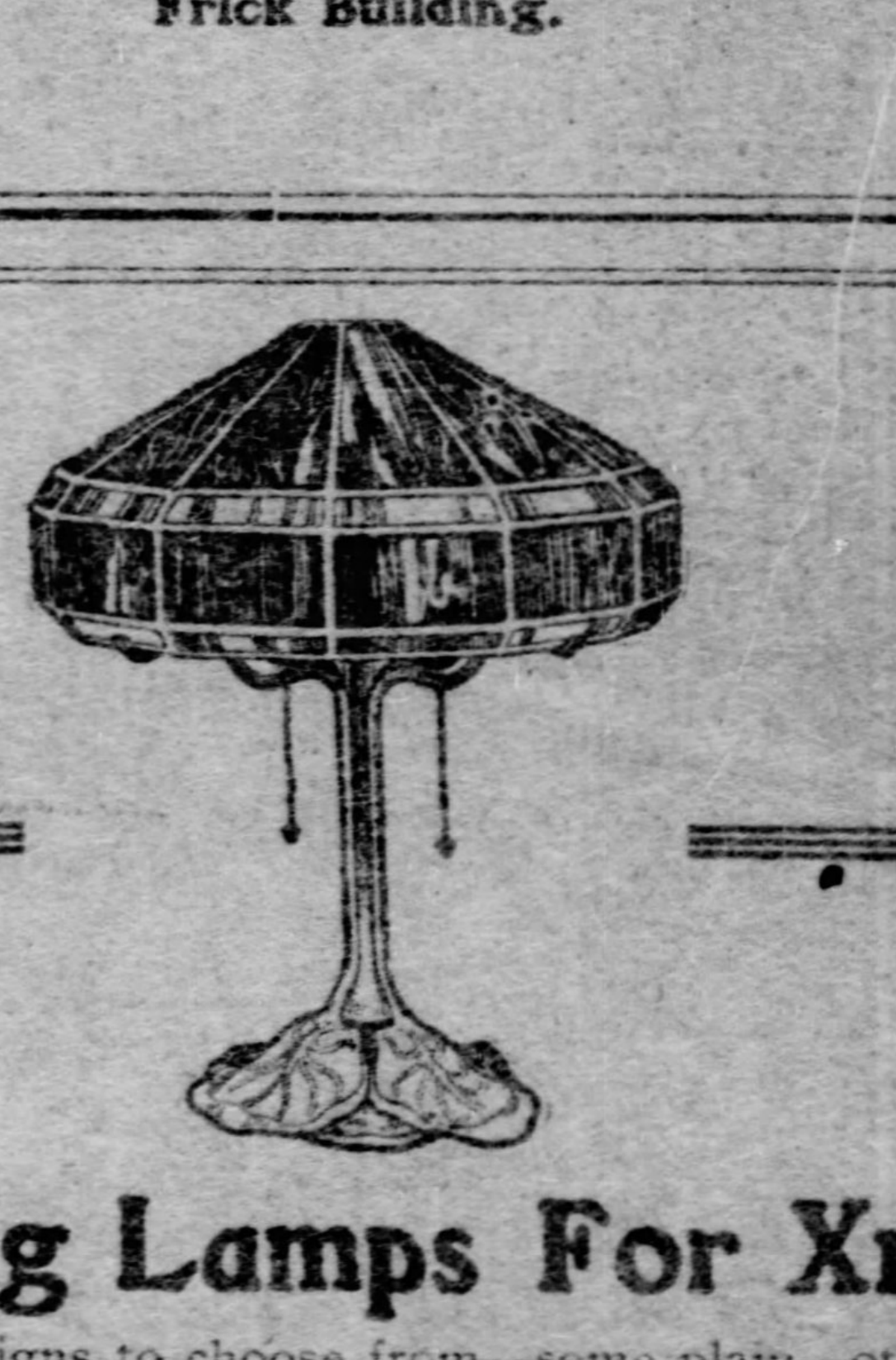

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SAID FAREWELL TO NEW BISHOP

Church Club Honors the Rt. Rev. F. S. Spalding, Who Goes to Salt Lake.

WARNED AGAINST POLYGAMY

The Rt. Rev. Francis Spencer Spalding, formerly rector of St. Paul's church at Erie, and last week consecrated bishop of this missionary district of Salt Lake for the Episcopal church, was last night the guest of honor of the Church club of Pittsburgh at a dinner given at the Hotel Schenley. During the evening he was warned against the evils of polygamy and was incidentally presented with a de lux edition of Thackary's works and a substantial purse of money.

C. E. E. Childers, president of the club, presided, and nearly 200 members attended. The Hon. John G. A. Leishman, United States minister to Turkey, who was to have been one of the principal speakers, was called east during the afternoon. Neither Bishop Whitehead nor any other clerical member of the Episcopal denomination was present, with the exception of the honored guest, the affair being entirely informal and intended as a laymen's farewell to the bishop, who leaves for the west next week.

A liberal spirit prevailed throughout the entire affair, which concluded with the singing of a comic song, "Girl Wanted," by T. W. Shacklett, junior warden of St. Paul's Episcopal church of Erie, in which the difficulties of securing hired girls is told, and which story terminates with the wrecking of a home when the matron of the house found her husband entertained by the hired girl "doing living pictures." Bishop Spalding seemed highly amused.

H. D. W. English was the first speaker and after paying high tribute to Bishop Spalding called the latter's attention to an epistle in the Episcopal order of consecration of bishops which provides that "the bishop should be the husband of but one wife." Considering the environs of Salt Lake city, Mr. English thought this a trying condition.

Junior Warden Shacklett of St. Paul's church spoke of the work done by the bishop as rector of the Erie church for eight and one-half years and said that the sentiment of the whole community could be expressed in the words of one of the Erie park employes, Patrick Donovan, who said that St. Paul's church was "losing a hell of a good feller." Mr. Shacklett then sang several songs.

Reuben Miller spoke of the many bishops who have been elected out of the Pittsburgh diocese, and A. M. Imbrie stated that a man who could fight St. Margaret's hospital as hard and consistently for six years as Bishop Spalding had, should have no trouble fighting for Christianity in the west. He was sorry Minister Leishman was not present to instruct the bishop on the vicissitudes of having plural wives from his experience in Turkey.

W. H. Kaech and J. W. Wardrop spoke in a humorous vein. After being presented with the books and purse by the toastmaster, Bishop Spalding responded, and feelingly thanked the members for their kindness and the good wishes expressed. He spoke of the vastness of the territory of his western diocese, covering 200,000 square miles, and said the mode of transportation was not inviting. He held that the original settlers of the east were people of high morals and noble ideas.

He had read the first page of the death record of St. John's church of Denver, which recorded all early deaths as due to violence—mainly hangings, shootings and murders. He considerd his work in the west both a religious and patriotic duty. The Presbyterian church, he said, spent $80,000 in missions in his new field last year, while the Episcopal church had spent but $7,500. He cited an appeal to his church from Evanston, Wyo., for a brilliant, eloquent and model preacher for a growing congregation, who offered to pay a man with high attributes $600 a year. He held that the church must offer good men living compensations to enter the field. It was his intention to follow the example of his father who for 20 years was bishop of Colorado, and who never came east to preach for funds or for other purposes other than official duties.

While here Bishop Spalding received permission from Bishop Whitehead to hold his first communion in his old church at Erie, where he will confirm a class of 60 tomorrow.

PHILADELPHIA STARTS A REFORM MOVEMENT

Will Make Nominations and Endeavor to Secure Personal Registration Law.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—With the adoption of a plan of organization drafted by the committee of seven, the new political reform movement became a reality this afternoon. Organization was affected at a meeting held at the Bourse, over which John C. Winston presided and at which the policy to be followed in the new movement was outlined in detail. The new organization will be known as the Committee of Seventy, but the affairs of the body will be controlled by an executive board of nine members.

It has been decided that the new organization will, in addition to indorsing candidates for city offices, make its own nominations in cases where that course is deemed advisable. Efforts will also be made to secure a personal registration law and a simpler form of official ballot.

It is intended to raise a fund of $50,000 a year to carry on the work. Already nearly $5,000 has been subscribed. Headquarters are to be opened in the center of the city, where a bureau of information will be maintained for the use of the public in matters relating to civic officers. CHESTER D. POTTER.

LENA YELLED, SISTER DIDN'T.

Strong-Armed Altoona Society Girl Just Threw Burglar Out of House.

ALTOONA, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Miss Elizabeth Rudolph, well known in local society, who lives in a suburb, proved herself a heroine when a burglar attempted to ransack her home early Saturday morning. Hearing a noise on the first floor she crept down the stairway and startled the intruder by turning on the electric light. Before the man realized what had occurred she grabbed him by the back of his coat collar and forced him to the front door, which she unlocked, and then threw the intruder over the porch into the yard below.

By this time her sister, Lena, was awakened and aroused the neighbors by yelling from a window. The burglar escaped.

TEN MILLION TONS.

That is the Estimated Production of Pig Iron for the First Half of the Year of 1905.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The production of pig iron for the first half of 1905 is estimated at 10,000,000 tons by good authorities. This estimate, if correct, will mean a record surpassing that of the first half of 1903, which was greater than that of the first half of 1902.

For the first half of 1904 the production was 8,173,438 tons against 9,707,367 last year, and 8,808,574 tons in 1902. The Steel Corporation, which early foresaw the big rush and anticipated it as much as possible by purchasing the product of outside furnaces, has not as much pig iron as it will need in the first half.

FUNERAL OF LADY WHO LIVED TO THE AGE OF 102

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The funeral of "Grandmother" Hetty Griffith, aged 102, was held in the Redstone Methodist Episcopal church yesterday. Mrs. Griffith was personally known by nearly everyone in Washington township. Mrs. Griffith had witnessed the developments of the nation from almost its beginning. She was in Fayette county at the time of the visit of Gen. Lafayette there in 1825.

Ask the Man

who bought his Thanksgiving turkey at McCann's his opinion—then get your order in. 401-410 Market street.

A snapshot of Capt. Spelterini's balloon at Geneva, just before the captain made his adventurous journey across the Alps, during which he reached a height of 20,000 feet and sailed over the top of the Jungfrau.

MRS. NETZER FOUND DEAD IN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER

Body Is Discovered Hours After Death Ensued—Another Headache Powder Victim.

Mrs. Mary Netzer, a widow, aged 67, was found dead yesterday kneeling by her bedside at the house where she roomed, 1411 Howard street, Allegheny. For some time she had been suffering from rheumatism, and yesterday Mrs. Mary Donovan, who lives in the same house, took her up some breakfast, leaving it in the darkened room. No sound was heard from Mrs. Netzer's room, and at 2 o'clock Mrs. Donovan found her kneeling at the side of the bed, her head buried in her arms. Mrs. Donovan tried to arouse her and found she was dead.

The woman, under the supposition that no one dare touch a body until the coroner arrived, left Mrs. Netzer kneeling there until Deputy Coroner John P. Black arrived. The women said Mrs. Netzer had some money in a savings bank, but Black could not find the bank book. Among her effects was a letter, written in 1902 by Mrs. F. G. Miller, then living in Emsworth. The women of the house knew of nobody who could tell anything about Mrs. Netzer. She had one room in which she slept and cooked and two other families live in the house. She was also known as Mrs. Snitzer.

It was reported that the woman's husband poisoned himself here five years ago. Black could find no record of such a suicide in the coroner's books.

Oscar McKinley, aged 37, of Braddock, was suffering from headache on Sunday and took a number of powders in an effort to secure relief. His death resulted and it is said the powders were responsible. McKinley died at the home of Nicolas Cox, 800 Talbot avenue, Braddock, where he had gone during the afternoon to call on Lillie Cox, whom he was to have married during the holidays. When he left his boarding house he complained of a severe headache, and at Mr. Cox's home, both before and after supper, it is said he took several of the powders. At 7:30 he collapsed. A physician was summoned, who worked with him until 3:30 in the morning, when he died. It is believed he took eight or ten of the powders, and his friends say he had been known to take as many as a dozen when in pain. McKinley had been a conductor for the Pittsburgh Railways Company, but recently purchased a grocery in Braddock avenue. His predecessor in the grocery, Joseph Steel, died of poisoning. McKinley is survived by his mother and a sister, who live in Bellaire, O.

Paul Donoghue of Glenwood, a conductor on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, was killed yesterday by his own train. The accident occurred at Demmler station, where the train crew was at work. In climbing over the cars Donoghue fell. Both legs were crushed. He was sent to the McKeesport hospital, where he died an hour later. He is survived by his widow and one child.

SYSTEM OF RAILROADS IS ASSURED FOR PHILIPPINES

Much Interest Shown by Financiers in the Government's Plan to Guarantee Dividends.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Difficulty is not anticipated in securing a comprehensive system of railroads for the Philippines, through the action of the senate in reducing the interest guarantee from 5 to 4 per cent. It is now intimated that the original rate was inserted as a precautionary measure against such a scaling down as Senator Spooner's amendment called for.

Much interest has been shown by responsible financial interests in the possibility of railroads in the Philippine island predicated upon the assumption that the present bill would become a law. Officers of the government have no doubt that when the bill passes the secretary of war and the Philippine government will have a chance to make a choice of several advantageous propositions to build and operate a system of railroads that will aid in developing the resources of the principal islands of the archipelago.

Presentations to Schotter.

H. J. Schotter, retiring superintendent of the plate mills of the Homestead steel works, was yesterday called into the laboratory of the plant and presented with a fine coffee urn, chafing dish outfit and mission style cabinet. The presentation was made by Fred Newman, inspector for the New York elevated railroad, and formerly connected with Mr. Schotter. On January 1 the latter becomes general manager of the upper and lower union mills, the Painter, the Lindsay-McCutcheon and the Monessen plants of the Carnegie Steel Company.

Chauncey Forward Sergeant Dead.

ALTOONA, Dec. 19.—Chauncey Forward Sergeant, aged 86, died this evening at his home in Bellwood. Mr. Sergeant was a prominent Mason, being the oldest past commander of the local commandery, Knights Templar. He was also one of the two surviving veterans of the Mexican war living in Blair county, and one of the founders of the Union News Company, being connected with it for many years.

Injured While Out Sleighing.

Annie and Lizzie Bushe of Homeville were both badly injured Sunday in a sledding accident. They drove with a party to Whitehall and early Sunday morning on returning home got on the wrong road and the sled was overturned. The two girls were thrown under the rest and severely injured.

An Aged Wanderer Turned Up.

John C. Dyson, aged 70 years, was arrested yesterday by Chief of Police Critchlow of Homestead. The old man escaped from the county home at Woodville last August and has wandered about since at places he does not know nor remember. His friends feared that he was dead.

PROF. SMITH LIKELY TO SUCCEED DR. MORROW

Allegheny High School Committee Decides to Enforce Strict School Discipline.

Prof. W. L. Smith will likely be the next principal of Allegheny High school. At a meeting of the High school committee last night Prof. Smith, who has been acting principal since last October, was recommended to the board of school controllers to succeed the late Dr. James E. Morrow, who died last week. A petition from the High school teachers was read in which the wish of the teachers was expressed. They ask that the controllers elect Prof. Smith.

The meeting last night was a lively one. The question of school discipline was brought up and its discussion consumed most of the evening. Since last October, when Dr. Morrow left the High school because of ill health, there has been exhibited a decided disposition on the part of several teachers to exercise a strict discipline that was unknown in the days of Dr. Morrow.

The action of Prof. Grothe, the physical instructor, in giving one boy 10 demerits was talked over at some length. The boy and his mother appeared before the board, as did Prof. Grothe. It was charged that the physical instructor was too severe in his punishments. D. B. Oliver declared that it was the duty of the committee to uphold the teachers in their dealings with the pupils and this sentiment prevailed, as the committee refused to decrease the number of demerits charged to several pupils whose misconduct has led to their temporary dismissal. Appropriate resolutions on the death of Dr. Morrow were read and adopted.

WILL DISTRIBUTE CORDS.

Attached to Scaffold's Trap, They Will Divide Grewsome Responsibility Among Deputies.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Among the deputies of City Sergeant James C. Smith of Richmond, not one can be found willing to spring the trap which will launch into eternity next Thursday, James Goode, the double murderer.

After consideration, the city sergeant hit upon the plan of attaching a number of cords to the trap, and to distribute the ends among his assistants. This plan bids fair to work beautifully, for while no man would take the responsibility alone, each one is willing to take part of it.

FOREIGN ATTACHES TO LEAVE.

Sultan of Morocco Will Dismiss Them. Deep Plot to Capture French Mission.

TANGIER, Dec. 19.—The report is confirmed that the sultan of morocco has notified the legation of his intention to dismiss the foreign military attaches.

Inquiries show that there was a deep laid plot to capture the French mission and hold the members as hostages until the political crisis was over. Severe tribal fighting is reported five hours journey from Tangier.

Aid of an Old Law Invoked.

David W. Jones and William Forsyth, two Mifflin township farmers, yesterday invoked the aid of an old law, and it is said to be the first time it has been used in Allegheny county, for damage done by dogs killing their sheep. The farmers allege they lost eight or 10 sheep and the township commissioners were called together to appraise the damage and today the farmers will make a demand on the county commissioners for about $50.

WHY?

Why do women continue to endure suffering caused by womanly diseases? There are many answers to that question. Sometimes because they have exhausted the skill of local physicians and remain uncured. At other times it is because they shrink from submitting to obnoxious examinations which local physicians deem necessary. And to sum it all up, they endure suffering because they do not know that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong and sick women well. "Favorite Prescription" establishes regularity, dries disagreeable drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

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POT LUCK FOR NEW MEMBERS

Speaker Walton Wrestles With Problem of Naming House Committees.

STRONG EXECUTIVE MESSAGE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Press Building.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 19.

Speaker Henry F. Walton today announced he would give no consideration to the organization of house committees until after the Republican caucus which will be held probably in the house of representatives Monday night, January 2. This announcement was made necessary by the many requests of members-elect who are desirous of obtaining places on the more important committees.

The Republican majority in the house will be so large this session it will prove a matter of extreme difficulty for the speaker to satisfactorily place old members. The new ones will have to take "pot luck." Speaker Walton is very anxious there shall be a full attendance at the caucus.

When the senate and house convene on January 4 nominations for United States senator will be made. Republicans will present the name of Senator P. C. Knox, and if Col. James M. Guffey does not desire the honor, it is probable the Democrats—there are only 25 of them—will name Col. James K. P. Hall.

Speaker Walton said since nominations for senator had to be made two days before they were balloted for, it had been agreed the nominations should take place January 4, so it would not be necessary for members to return to Harrisburg until the third Tuesday in January, when the formal ballot will be taken. Under this arrangement the legislature will, January 4, adjourn until January 17.

On reliable authority, the forthcoming message of Gov. Pennypacker to the legislature will be of extraordinary interest. Unlike some of his predecessors, Gov. Pennypacker declines to discuss his message in advance of its presentation. Close friends of the governor, however, believe the message will rank as a remarkable state paper. It is understood the governor has something to say, and it is generally understood that, under such circumstances, he is not lacking in the power of direct and forceful expression.

Aside from a very positive reference to the matter of economy in state expenditures, it is believed the governor will define his attitude on certain phases of legislation which occupied the attention of the last legislature, and which, though having failed of enactment, it is believed will be submitted at the coming session.

The governor will not presume to say what shall or what shall not be considered, but his message in a general way will define the attitude of the executive in unmistakable manner, and will probably prevent much loss of time to those who have "pool bills" and other measures which have biennially fallen by the wayside.

Senator Flinn and City Chairman M. G. Leslie were here today. They lunched with Speaker Walton at the Union league. CHESTER D. POTTER.

AT MERCY OF THIEVES.

Men and Women Pillaged While Fire Ravaged Little Oil Village in Indiana. Ten Persons Are Arrested.

SELMA, IND., Dec 19.—For three hours during the night this town was at the mercy of flames and a mob. The mob consisted of men and women, who robbed burning buildings, stealing large quantities of goods that had been taken out by rescuers.

The loss by fire and theft will amount to $40,000, with but $8,000 insurance. Ten persons suspected of stealing have been arrested.

WOULD ACT ON RAILROAD RATES

Congressional Commission to Make Recess Investigation Is Proposed.

IS DISCUSSED IN CONFERENCE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.

At an informal conference of senate leaders today the improbability of doing anything at the present session of congress in the way of railroad rate legislation was plainly pointed out, and a tentative agreement was reached to have a commission made up from the senate and house commerce committees to sit through the long recess of the summer to investigate the question and, if possible, frame a bill.

Senator Allison had a talk with Senator Elkins today on this question and he declared himself in favor of some legislation only after such a commission has investigated. The senators from Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota are all inclined to urge rate legislation in view of the attitude of the governors of their respective states. These governors have made the question of rate legislation a live one in the west, and in one form and another brought the people to a belief that something should be done.

Should a commission be chosen to investigate and frame legislation it would proceed much as did the merchant marine commission, and hold hearings in various parts of the country, especially in the great railroad centers. This plan, although not finally decided on, is likely to prevail in view of a failure to get any agreement on legislation during the short session.

MINERS' FAMILIES FLEE FROM SINKING HOMES

Cave-Ins Occur Under Towns, One in Ohio, Other in Pennsylvania.

KENT, O., Dec. 19.—Silver Creek, a mining town west of here on the Erie railroad, is in a state of unrest over the fact that great cave-ins are occurring, owing to the town being undermined. Last night Benjamin Zenner was aroused by the sound of breaking timbers and found that his house had sunk four feet. He got his wife and children out just as the house sank from sight. A night watchman has been hired by the citizens, as the people are afraid to go to sleep.

MAHONOY CITY, Dec. 19.—Through the settling of the surface at Jacksons, near here early this morning, the families of Jacob Lambert, Francis Benedict, Frank Collin and Joseph Weir were forced to flee in their night robes, fearing they would be swallowed in a cave-in. The earth was rent by huge fissures and the ground subsided several feet. The kitchens of the home of Benedict and Lambert dropped into the mine. A house which toppled off its foundations, is the property of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company.

Fire Causes Death from Shock.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Fire destroyed $15,000 worth of lumber in the yard of the Fairmont Lumber Company, injured three firemen and caused one death early this morning. Mrs. H. L. Heinzelman, wife of the secretary and treasurer of the Monongah Glass Company, died from the shock of the fire, which occurred within a few yards of where she lay ill. Clarence Hamilton, John Jenkins and James Jenkins, all firemen, were burned about the head and face.

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Four-Skin Natural Mink Scarfs—upwards from	35.00
Ermine Scarfs from $20.00 upwards to	75.00
Ermine Muffs from $75.00 upwards to	125.00
Chinchilla Scarfs from $20.00 upwards to	35.00
Chinchilla Muffs from $38.50 upwards to	75.00
Persian Scarfs from $15.00 upwards to	85.00
Persian Muffs from $15.00 upwards to	35.00
Natural Squirrel Scarfs from $10.00 upwards to	35.00
Natural Squirrel Muffs from $10.00 upwards to	18.00
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Blended Squirrel Muffs from $15.00 upwards to	20.00

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Manicure Sets in Celluloid and Ebony, $5.00 to $10.00. Aneroid Barometers, $10.00 to $20.00. Ever-Ready Electric Pocket Lamp, $1.00, $1.25. Curley Ideal Safety Razor, $2.50. Steel Tape Lines, 50 ft., $3.00, $3.50.

IVORY RULES WITH SLIGHT IMPERFECTIONS.

6 in. with caliper	65c	2 ft., plain	$2.50
1 ft., plain	50c	2 ft., bound	3.00
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Boys' Always Ready Tool Set,
Containing Saw, Plane, Ratchet Brace, Hatchet, Hammer, Combination Plier and Wire Cutter, Try Square, Screw Driver, Chisel, Rule, Nail Set, Brad Awl and two Auger Bits. Price.......... **$3.50**

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Nickel-plated frames, black wood handles. Avoid that headache by using a reading glass.......... **50c, 75c, $1**

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A pocket Manicure Nail Cleaner, File and Cuticle Trimmer, with leather case. **25c**
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Pennies, nickels and dimes are inserted in the same slot, a turn of the crank detects the denomination, automatically adds the value to the amount previously contained in the bank, and shows the total in large clear figures on the face. **$2.50**

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"Redyforuse" Razor Strop—This double swing Strop produces a smooth, keen edge; the sharpening strop is horsehide, the finishing strop calfskin. Size, 2x19½ inches. Postage, 5c. **50c**

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This chopper is known to have no superior; it has 4 cutters and one nut butter cutter. Our Cook Book free with each chopper. **$1.00**

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Owing to the convenience, time and money-saving qualities of the Safety Razor, sales have increased enormously. Postage, 4c. **$1.50**

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OPEN EVENINGS AFTER DECEMBER 17.

DROUGHT WORST SHOWN BY RECORD

Western Pennsylvania's November and December the Driest for Many Years.

GREAT SUFFERING IS CAUSED

Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania are suffering from a drought, the extent and duration of which at this time of the year has not been equaled for many years. Almost immeasurable harm is being done; cattle are suffering, railroads are in bad shape, the coke industry has been partially paralyzed and in some of the towns of this section human beings are deprived of sufficient water for drinking and cooking, while bathing has become a luxury.

The Pittsburgh official weather records, covering a period from 1871 to date, inclusive, show that in all those 34 years there has never been a November or a December that even approached those two months of the present year in the smallness of the rainfall. The figures speak for themselves as an explanation of the conditions which are being faced by tens of thousands of people.

The preceding five years give a fair conception of the average rainfall in Pittsburgh and they show the paucity of rain at present:

	November.	December.
1899	2.12 in.	2.24 in.
1900	3.64 in.	1.99 in.
1901	1.80 in.	4.84 in.
1902	1.08 in.	3.71 in.
1903	2.60 in.	1.58 in.

Compare with these figures a precipitation of 0.10 inches for all November and of 0.06 for 19 days of December. November's rainfall was only 1-12 that of the average for the past five years. December's to date is only 1-64 of the average for two-thirds of the month of December in the same years.

No Such Drouth Recorded.

The records all entirely to show in 34 years a November that will compare with the past one. The nearest approach was in November, 1872, when the precipitation was 0.83 inches, more than four times as great. There is not a month of December until this year when it has been less than one inch.

It is said to be a fact that the rainfall in the city of Pittsburgh exceeds that of the surrounding country. If this be true, it will show how bad the conditions must be there.

The snow in November and December, of which there was considerable, has failed to help conditions. The cold weather has been so steady that there has been practically no melting, and the snow still lies where it fell. If a warm rain should fall it would mean not onyl the relief that would come from the rainfall itsel, but the addition of a great melt of snow. Two days o such rain would change conditions radically.

The trouble the drought has caused is being reported rom all the counties of Western Pennsylvania. The water companies which supply a large number of important towns west of Altoona are allowing domestic consumers only two hours' supply a day, and to many large industrial concerns the companies are giving no water at all. Among others which are refused a supply is the Pennsylvania railroad, and that company's tanks are being replenished by trains of tank cars which obtain their supply from the Conemaugh at New Florence.

Trouble in Coke Region.

These tnk cars have the right-of-way over all trains, passenger and freight, and the announcement of a new source for 1,000 gallons of water a day is a more pleasant piece of news in the superintendent's office than 1,000 cars of extra freight in the freight agent's office.

On the Washington and Waynesburg line it is said that a part o the service will shortly be taken off unless water conditions are bettered.

In the coke country there has been trouble with the water supply for a couple of months. This factor determined in November the extent of the operations. It is still a bothersome factor, although the deciding factor in coke operations now is the car supply. This car supply goes back, however, to the same basis. On nearly all of the streams from which the Pittsburgh railroads obtain their water, coke and coal operations are in progress and the water of these streams, when low, becomes so thoroughly impregnated with sulphur and other chemicals that the boiler tubes are ruined and the engines are put out of commission. A large proportion of the motive power of the railroads sin wol laid up from this cause. It was said that one railroad which has installed filtering plants would be free from this. The experience at present is that when the water is filtered there's nothing left. It's mainly mud.

In Washington county cattle are being driven four miles to water. In Butler there is a drought of much extent. The twon's typhoid fever experience is still well remembered.

In the city of Pittsburgh the effect has been to give to the consumers of city water a supply somewhat more impure than usual. It is a nasty yellow, offensive to the smell as well as to the taste.

Braddock Bond Election February 21.

At a special meeting of Braddock council last evening, the finance committee recommended a new election for an issue of $132,214 55 worth of bonds. This is $20,000 in excess of the original issue voted on. Another meeting of the council will be held at 8:30 this morning for final passage of the ordinance. February 21, the day of the regular spring election, is the date set for the new bond election.

Found Quilla in the West.

The police were notified last night that Albert Quilla, wanted here for larceny, was under arrest in East St. Louis, Ill. Quilla and Dominick Leo were orderlies at the West Penn hospital and last August, it is charged, Quilla stole $50 from Leo's trousers. An information was made at the time, but the police failed to find Quilla.

THE THREE RIVERS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—The river situation is unchanged here. The gorges above and below the city continue to hold. The local harbor is being kept open by the movement of the towboats which are caring for the landing. Weather clear and cold.

LOUISVILLE—River rising, with 2.9 feet in the canal, seven-tenths of a foot on the falls and 3.8 feet below the locks. Clear and cold.

WHEELING—River 1 foot 8 inches and stationary. Cloudy and cold, with snow.

STEUBENVILLE—River 2 feet 2 inches and stationary. Weather cloudy and cold. River frozen over.

GALLIPOLIS—River 2 feet 1 inch and falling. Weather cloudy and cool.

GREENSBORO—River 5 feet 5 inches and stationary. Weather cloudy and cold. River closed. Navigation suspended.

OIL CITY—River 2 feet 1 inch and stationary. Weather mild and light snow.

WARREN—River frozen. Weather cold and snowy.

PARKERSBURG—River 1.7 feet and stationary. Weather cold and cloudy. River frozen and snow falling.

POINT PLEASANT—River 1 foot. Weather cloudy and cold.

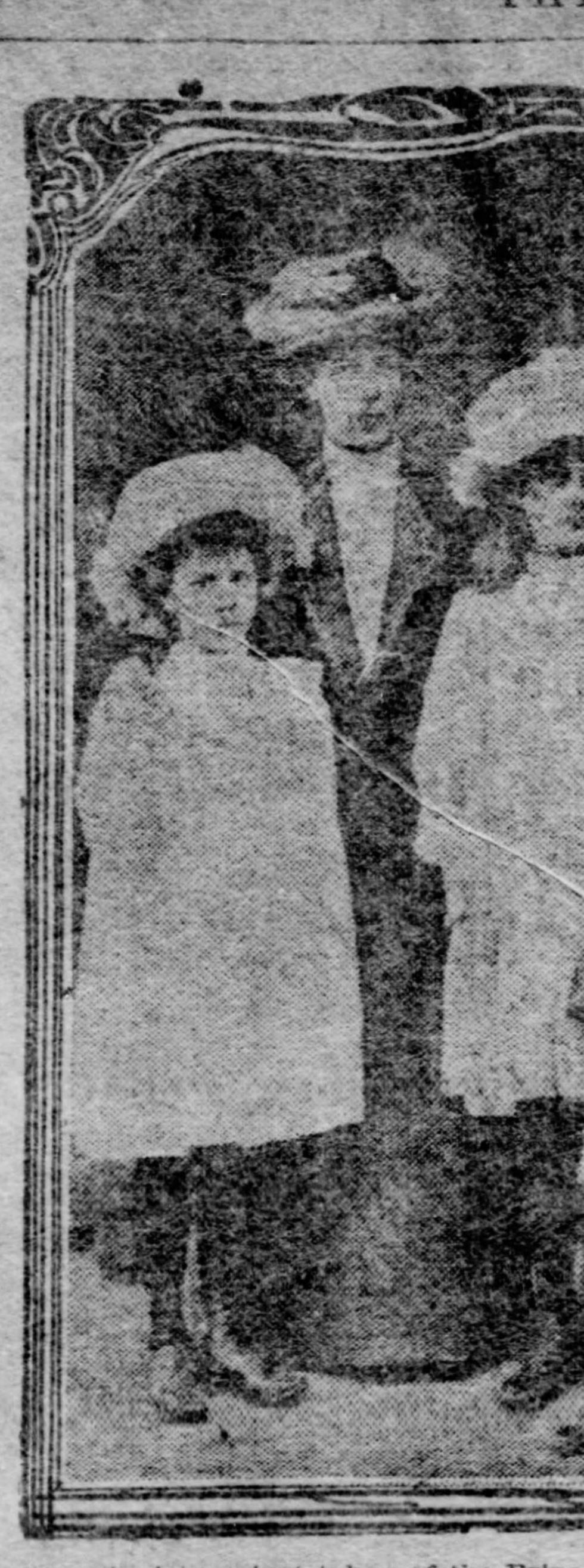
MORGANTOWN—River 5 feet 4 onches and stationary. Weather clear.

RIVERMEN GATHERING IN.

Those Who Have Been Absent from Home Getting Ready for a Rise.

Rivermen who have been away from home are beginning to get back to Pittsburgh. The term rivermen includes engineers, deckhands and all the different classes who find work on the boats when navigation is open. Every day finds new faces in the crowds along the wharf. They all believe nature can do little more to keep them out of work than she has done, and that a rise is a certainty within the next week or two. All are hoping for heavy rains to carry off the snow. Three days of warm rain just now would bring the rivers to a flood stage and let most of the 13,000,000 bushels of coal lying in the harbor get away.

Several empties, in tow of the Dilworth, are in No. 2 pool, unable to proceed further on account of the ice. They managed to get out of the locks and stuck there, and until they are out of the road no other boats can pass up or down the Monongahela. Fortunately none are wanting to just now, which relieves the situation of its most unpleasant features.



A picture just taken of the Princess of Wales and the Duchess of Fife with their children. The Princess of Wales is standing on the right of the picture with Prince Albert and Prince Edward in front of her, while the two little ladies Duff are standing at each side of their mother.

BLOODY STREET FIGHT OUT AT WILMERDING

Timely Arrival of Officer Prevents Shooting Being Added to Work of Knife.

As the result of a frightful street battle in Wilmerding last evening, Joseph Green is lying at his home in that town with six knife wounds in his body, while John and Joseph Irio are fugitives from justice. Green is not expected to recover.

There is said to have been bad blood between the men for some time. They are all Italian mill workers. The Irios were on their way home from work last evening when, it is reported, they were attacked by Joseph Green and his brother, John. The Irios tried to beat off their assailants with their dinner buckets. During the battle one of the Irios drew a knife and stabbed Joseph Green. John Green pulled a revolver but before he could use it it was knocked out of his hand by Officer Harry Doyle, who was attracted by the noise of the combat and came on the scene just in time to prevent the shooting.

Joseph Green after his wounds were dressed was removed to his home. John Green was arrested and Burgess Pounds fined him $10 for disorderly conduct. The Irios made their escape and up to a late hour last night had not been captured. They own property in Wilmerding and it is believed they will return.

Neither the injured man nor his brother gave any statement as to the cause of the quarrel, but it is said to be of long standing.

CHINESE CADETS ARE INSTRUCTED IN JAPAN

Two Thousand Young Celestials Will Help the Mikado to Preserve Integrity of Manchuria.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—The American board of foreign missions made public today a report from its oldest missionary in Japan, the Rev. Dr. D. C. Greene of Tokyo, in which Dr. Greene states that there are 1,000 Chinese students, including 500 military cadets, in Tokyo, under the auspices of the Chinese government, and 1,000 more in the city, independent of the government.

Dr. Greene further stated if one should add to this the fact that in several provinces of China there are military schools with Japanese instructors, "it is not difficult to see that when peace is restored Japan is not to stand alone in her purpose to prevent a new invasion of Manchuria on the part of Russia."

WELL-KNOWN MAN SHOT.

Daniel Roberts of Titusville Probably Fatally Wounded by Jerry Wetherbee During Quarrel.

TITUSVILLE, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Daniel Roberts, a well-known resident of this place, was shot and fatally wounded this evening by Jerry Wetherbee. The shooting was the outcome of a quarrel about some work Wetherbee had done. Wetherbee used insulting language which Roberts resented by knocking him down. Wetherbee drew a revolver and fired two shots into Roberts' head.

Edward Fitch, a teamster, was also shot, a bullet hitting him in the neck. He will recover. Wetherbee was arrested and is now in jail.

SMASHED EDLIS' WINDOW.

Policeman Barberi Caught Man Making Away With Case of Razors.

Policeman Charles Barberi heard the sound of breaking glass shortly after midnight and ran in the direction of the sound, which semed to be just around the corner. As he ran toward Adolph Edlis' barber supply shop, at Tenth and Liberty streets, he saw a man just starting away from the window. Barberi caught him.

The fellow pretended to be drunk. Barberi saw that a hole a foot in diameter had been broken in Edlis window. He was afraid to leave the place for fear that pals of his prisoner might loot the window, so he blew his whistle until another policeman appeared. The prisoner had a case of fine razors under his vest. He was taken to Central station, where he gave the name of Joseph Sweeney.

Wabash 7Extension Finished.

YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The Western Maryland railroad today opened its Cumberland extension from Big Pool to Hancock, Md., six miles of the 60 which will link the main road to the West Virginia Central and bring the Wabash to tidewater over its own rails. This extension was begun last summer and by the coming summer other portions of it can be opened.

May Resume as Copper Mill.

LISBON, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Berthold Goldsmith, who has resigned as manager of the valley district of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company and bought the Beaver tin plate plant in this city, is evidently going to start the Lisbon mill soon. It is said the plant will resume as a copper mill instead of a tin mill.

No Alimony from Wife.

YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Thez petition of William Runkle asking the court for $1,000 alimony from his wife, Ada, to fight the divorce proceedings against him, was dismissed today by Judge Bittenger. Runkle set up the claim that his wife induced him to turn over his estate to her and then deserted him.

Florida and Carolina Winter Resorts

Excursion rates via Seaboard Air line, Pullman service to Pinehurst, Camden and Florida points. R. H. Stansell, 503 Park building.

ONE OF CITY'S OLDEST MEN STRICKEN BY DEATH

John Heron, for Years Identified With Community's Interests, Passes Away.

John Heron, one of the oldest residents of Pittsburgh, died suddenly at 8:10 o'clock last evening at the home of his son, John B. Heron, in South Linden avenue. He was just past his 98th year.

Mr. Heron was born in Belfast, Ireland, December 3, 1806. He came to Pittsburgh July 31, 1828, and ever since has resided here. He was the son of John and Jane (Brown) Heron, stanch old Covenanters of Belfast. For a short time after coming to Pittsburgh Mr. Heron was engaged in a mercantile establishment. He then entered into the contracting business for himself, opening an office at Penn avenue and Ninth street, where the Westinghouse building now stands. He was remarkably successful and invested his profits in real estate about Pittsburgh, having unbounded faith in the future of this city. His shrewdness and foresight in this respect was remarkable, and his purchases proved in after years to be among the most valuable real estate holdings in the city. As a result of his investments he became immensely wealthy and for many years he did nothing but look after his business interests. With advancing years he laid aside the burdens of business and turned his cares over to his son, John B. Heron, who is an attorney at the Allegheny county bar.

Mr. Heron married a lady of the same name, Susan Heron, and two children were born. The daughter, Miss Martha, died many years ago. The wife died about eight years ago. Up to the time of her death the old gentleman maintained his own house in Stanton avenue. After that he made his home with his son. Several months ago he became ill and it was thought then the end was near, but he rallied and appeared better than for years. For the past two or three days he has been ailing and yesterday John B. Heron, who is in New York, was telegraphed for. Last evening when Mrs. Heron, the son's wife, returned from a shopping tour, she found the old gentleman was about breathing his last. Physicians were telephoned for, but at 8:10 he died, before the doctors arrived. His son is his only surviving relative. The family is one of the best known in the city, Mrs. Heron being prominently identified with the social and charitable interests of Pittsburgh.

Claims He Lost $25.

Henry Lutz, white, of Gladstone street, Hazelwood, claims he lost $25 Sunday night in a house conducted by Carrie Snyder, colored, at 51 Kilbuck street, Allegheny. "Sis" Smith, colored, charged with larceny, and five others, charged with being suspicious persons, all colored, are under arrest.

Christmas Box

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Handsomely put up in three styles and delivered prepaid to any address within 300 miles of Pittsburgh on receipt of price and your grocer's name.

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12 Packages In This Box.
Strawberry Preserves
Baked Beans
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Apple Butter
Salad Dressing
Worcester Sauce
Chili Sauce
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Tomato Soup

No. 2—$3.50
18 Packages In This Box.
Strawberry Preserves
Cherry Preserves
Pineapple Preserves
Tomato Soup
Baked Beans
Chow-Chow
Sour Gherkins
Sweet Mixed Pickles
Sweet Midgets
Apple Butter
Worcester Sauce
Horseradish
Mustard
Pearl Onions
Catsup
Sweet Relish
Salad Dressing
Chili Sauce

No. 3—$5.00
24 Packages In This Box.
Strawberry Preserves
Cherry Preserves
Red Raspberry Preserves
Pineapple Preserves
Tomato Soup
Baked Beans (2)
Chow-Chow
Sour Gherkins
Sweet Mixed Pickles
Sweet Midgets
Chili Sauce
Salad Dressing
Catsup (2)
Apple Butter
Mince Meat
Worcester Sauce
Horseradish
Mustard
Pearl Onions
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Sweet Relish
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LIBERTY'S FIRES BURN IN RUSSIA

Czar's Dominion Is Ablaze With Protests Against Tyranny of the Romanoff.

EMPEROR'S SAFETY GUARDED

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—The emperor's fete day passed without any untoward demonstrations in St. Petersburg, but was marked by a continuation of the Moscow disorders, though they were not so serious as on Sunday.

The feature of the Moscow demonstration was the distribution of a violent proclamation of the Social Democratic Labor party, describing the whole country as being in a state of mourning and tears for the sacrifice of life in the far east for the aggrandizement of the Romanoff, picturing the government as driving the people to starvation, and calling upon workingmen to enter ceaselessly upon a war for overthrowing the tyrants.

In consequence of the character of the current agitation, the advisers of Emperor Nicholas have dissuaded him from his contemplated trip to the south of Russia to bid farewell to troops being dispatched to the far east.

One hundred leading writers for "Russian, Fatherland," "Our Life," and other liberal papers of St. Petersburg have openly drawn up an indictment against the police at the demonstration in the Nevsky prospect, December 11. The names attached to this indictment include Karabevsky, the attorney of the assassin Sasoneff.

Conservatives are afraid that the ill-advised course of extremists will drive the government to adopt repressive measures just when a distinct victory over the reactionaries had been won, and a liberal regime has been inaugurated.

ROSTOFF-ON-DON, Dec. 19.—Local representatives of all the various ranks of life, including workingmen, many ladies being present, have held a big banquet here at which speeches were made in favor of imperial reform, liberty of speech, education of the masses, and amnesty of political prisoners. Resolutions similar to those passed by the zemstvoist conference at St. Petersburg were adopted.

CRAFTS THE BUSY MAN.

National Reformer Gave the Chamber of Commerce Hot One and Looked After Naughton Pictures.

Supt. M. H. Campbell of the Allegheny police bureau said last night that at the request of the Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, superintendent of the National Reform bureau, he had detailed two detectives to go through the city yesterday and see if any objectionable pictures were on exhibition. The officers reported that they found only two pictures that could be objected to, and those were ordered removed from exhibition and destroyed.

Dr. Crafts was a very busy man yesterday, for in addition to going over to Allegheny and seeing Supt. Campbell, and delivering an address on the evils of the opium traffic in China before the directors of the chamber of commerce, he also called on Director Moore of Pittsburgh's safety department and asked that the exhibition of improper pictures in slot machines be stopped. He was informed that the police had already taken such action.

R. J. and W. J. Knox of Wylie avenue were arrested yesterday by Ordinance Officer Murray G. Livingston on the charge of misdemeanor. It is alleged they exhibited improper pictures in their slot machines. Dr. Crafts wants improper books suppressed and asked Director Moore to co-operate with him in stopping the sale of those written several hundred years ago, but which are not suited to the strictly moral tone of today.

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LIKE LIAO-YANG POSITION

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

MUKDEN, Dec. 19.—The village of Dapindu has been occupied after a sharp fight by a detachment of Russian infantry, Cossacks and borderers under Belinske.

MUKDEN, Dec. 9, (DELAYED) VIA PEKIN, Dec. 19.—A correspondent of the Associated Press has toured the entire Russian front, traversing nearly 100 miles along and around the frost-covered burrows of the soldiers from the Hun to Shakhe rivers.

At all times there has been demonstrative, but irrational cannonading along the center, where, owing to the proximity of the lines, the corps commanders while inspecting the positions have frequently been recognized and fired at with shells.

On the extreme right and left flanks the lines are separated by from five to eight miles, and across these spaces both sides occasionally march battalions, reconnoitering and making demonstrative attacks, during which each side has taken prisoners. The object of both Russians and Japanese in these operations is the same, namely, to prevent the molestation of the winter cantonments.

The positions of both Russian and Japanese are similar to those held by them before the battle of Liao Yang, therefore the spring campaign will find the two armies in the same relation as at Liao Yang.

Gen. Rennenkampf's area beyond Da pass is one of great picturesqueness and, owing to the extreme weather conditions, it is now considered as being inaccessible to the Japanese.

The feet of a number of Japanese infantrymen taken by the Russians were frozen, and their clothing was inadequate, but it is said Gen. Kuroki has replaced his infantry with mounted troops who are warmly clothed.

The Russian troops are in splendid spirits. They are cheerfully accommodating themselves to the battle devastated wilderness and are building roads and sledges to traverse them.

Cossacks recently captured a Japanese officer dressed in a Russian uniform as he was quietly riding along the Russian frontal positions. He saluted as he passed the Cossacks, speaking perfect Russian, but the Cossacks, suspecting something wrong, tried to stop him. He bolted, but afterward was captured.

Baltic Fleet Passes Cape Town.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 19.—Warships of the Russian second Pacific squadron passed Cape Town this afternoon, eastward bound.

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All leathers are represented, including Patent Colt, Box Calf, Vici Kid, Wax Calf, etc. Heavy or light soles; lace or button or blucher styles.

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Men's $1.98 Faust Slippers....98c
Children's Leggins....25c

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Will Be Given for the Correct or Nearest Correct Solutions of Illustrations Representing Proverbs.

The contest will consist of a series of Sixty Illustrations, each one of which will represent a well-known English Proverb. The Tenth One of the Series will be found on Page 2 of This Paper.

READ THE CONDITIONS CAREFULLY

The conditions governing this contest follow: No answer which does not exactly conform to them will be considered.

All answers must be upon GAZETTE blanks, which will be printed with each Proverb Picture. Only one answer will be allowed on each blank.

ANSWERS MUST NOT BE SENT IN UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE CONTEST. But all answers must be in The Gazette office within six days after the last Proverb Picture is printed.

The blank forms will be numbered and answers must be neatly arranged in numerical order by the contestants. At the close of the contest answers should be sent by mail, post paid, addressed to Manager Proverb Contest, THE GAZETTE, PITTSBURGH, PA., or they may be left in sealed envelopes at our Business Office, Wood street and Oliver avenue, addressed as above.

Do not send the pictures. SEND ONLY THE ANSWER BLANK. The blanks may be filled out in any legible way.

Contestants may send in as many sets of answers as they please, but each set must be in a different envelope. Each set will be treated separately, BUT NO CONTESTANT WILL BE AWARDED MORE THAN ONE PRIZE. Contestants may send in duplicate answers to the same Proverb Problem, but they must be on separate blanks: that is, they may fill out two or more No. 1s or 2s, etc. These duplicates must be kept together in making up the sets of answers.

Contestants may secure assistance from any source. Everybody is eligible except employes of The Pittsburgh Gazette.

The managers of the Proverb Contest distinctly reserves the right to make any change in or addition to these conditions that he may deem necessary for properly conducting the contest.

The sixty proverbs which will comprise the series have been selected from standard authorities, and the list on which the prizes will be awarded has been sealed and placed in the care of Mr. H. C. McEldowney, President of the Union Trust Co., and will not be opened until the time arrives for awarding the prizes. The proverbs selected for this contest are those in common use and will not be hard to solve, but be careful to get the correct wording and punctuation, and see that each word is spelled correctly. You will find this contest an education for old and young. Enter it at once.

LIST OF PRIZES
Capital Prize....$ 500.00
Second Prize.... 300.00
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4 Prizes, $25.00 each.... 100.00
10 Prizes, $10.00 each.... 100.00
30 Prizes, $5.00 each.... 150.00
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225 Prizes, aggregating....$1,800.00

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CARS MUST HAVE SAFETY COUPLING

United States Supreme Court Renders a Decision in Railroad Case.

ALIMONY IS NOT EXEMPT

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.

What has become known as "President Roosevelt's railroad case," was won by the government today in the supreme court of the United States, and in consequence every railroad employe in the country will have a feeling of great satisfaction.

The case is that of Johnson vs. the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, and the effect of the decision is to enforce the laws of the United States requiring all railroad cars and locomotives engaged in interstate commerce to be equipped with safety appliances, so that all cars can be coupled together and that the railroad employe need not go between the cars.

Johnson, a railroad brakeman, lost his arm while coupling a railroad dining car to a locomotive in Utah. He brought suit under the United States statute and lost it in the court below. The attention of the president was called to the case by Edward A. Moseley, the secretary of the interstate commerce commission, who has spent his life seeking to have safety appliances placed on railroad cars. The president called the attention of the attorney general to it and requested that every effort be made to expedite it in the courts. The opinion today was rendered by Chief Justice Fuller.

In the case of W. B. Wetmore vs. Mrs. A. B. Markoe the supreme court held that an obligation to pay alimony and allowance to a wife and children is not in the nature of an ordinary debt and therefore cannot be discharged in bankruptcy. Mrs. Markoe is the remarried former wife of Wetmore. The proceeding was instituted in 1900 and the supreme court of the state of New York by Wetmore to enjoin all proceeding to compel the payment of alimony and allowances, amounting to $6,000 per annum, growing out of the divorce proceedings in 1892, on the ground that Wetmore had taken advantage of the bankruptcy law. The state court denied the prayer, and today's opinion affirmed that decision. It was delivered by Justice Day, who said:

The bankruptcy law should receive such an interpretation as will effectuate its beneficent purposes and not make it an instrument to deprive dependent wife and children of the support and maintenance due them from the husband and father, which it has ever been the purpose of the law to enforce. Systems of bankruptcy are designed to relieve the honest debtor from the weight of indebtedness which has become oppressive and to permit him to have a fresh start in business or commercial life, freed from the original obligations and responsibilities which may have resulted from business misfortunes. Unless positively required by direct enactment the courts should not presume a design upon the part of congress in relieving the unfortunate debtor to make the law a means of avoiding enforcement of the obligation, moral and legal, devolved upon the husband to support his wife and to maintain and educate his children.

The supreme court decided the boundary case between the states of Missouri and Nebraska in favor of the state of Nebraska. The case involved the question as to whether a change of the course of the Missouri river had the effect of changing land which had theretofore been on the west side of the river to the east side of the river, from the jurisdiction of Nebraska to the jurisdiction of Missouri, but the court held that it did not. The opinion was by Justice Harlan, who said that the boundary must remain in the middle of the old channel before the change.

CZAR'S COMMISSIONERS ARE ON THE GROUND

They Are the First to Arrive in Paris for Sittings of North Sea Court of Inquiry.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The Russian delegates to the international commission which is to inquire into the North sea incident reached here this afternoon, being the first foreign delegation to arrive. A large party of Russian and French officials met the train, a crowd assembled on the station platform and considerable enthusiasm was manifested. Admiral Kaznakoff, Baron Taube and Capt. Clado formed a group and were photographed.

The British member of the commission, Rear Admiral Sir Lewis A. Beaumont, is coming on the same train.

President Loubet will receive the admirals Tuesday morning and Foreign Minister Delcasse will breakfast the commission at noon, the sessions thereupon beginning.

DOVER, ENG., Dec. 19.—Rear Admiral Charles H. Davis, U. S. N., who is to represent the American government on the international commission to inquire into the North sea incident, has altered his plans, and instead of debarking from the steamer Finland here remained on board and has gone on to Antwerp.

TIRED OF RAINES LAW.

Gotham's Ministerial Associations Call on Legislature to Amend Evils Arising from It.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Resolutions denouncing the Raines law hotels, and demanding that the next legislature amend the law so as to suppress the evils which it is alleged they bring out, were passed today at meetings of the Methodist Preachers' association and the Baptist ministers' conference.

The Presbyterian Ministers' association adopted a resolution calling on the New York senators and representatives in congress to vote to prohibit the sale of liquor in the Indian territory for at least one generation.

Holiday Fete of the Elks.

The Christmas tree entertainment of lodge No. 11, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, promises to be an immense success. Prof. Thuma is busily engaged drilling the children for fancy dances and tableaus. A unique feature will be the auctioning of donations received from Elks and their friends, all in sealed packages with the names of the doners attached.

Would Meet Georgia School Expenses.

To defray the expenses of the Presbyterian school in Cordle, Ga., efforts will be made to secure a large collection at the quarterly meeting today of the Women's Home Missionary society of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny presbyteries of the Presbyterian church. The meeting will open at 10:30 this morning at the First Presbyterian church, Arch street, Allegheny.

Putting Phones on Southwest Branch.

The Central District and Printing Telegraph Company, the Bell concern, has been awarded the contract by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the placing of telephones in all the depots and offices of the southwest branch of the system. This will mean the installing of about 150 telephones between Greensburg and Fairchance. There will be private exchanges at Uniontown, Scottdale and Youngwood.

Made a Mysterious Arrest.

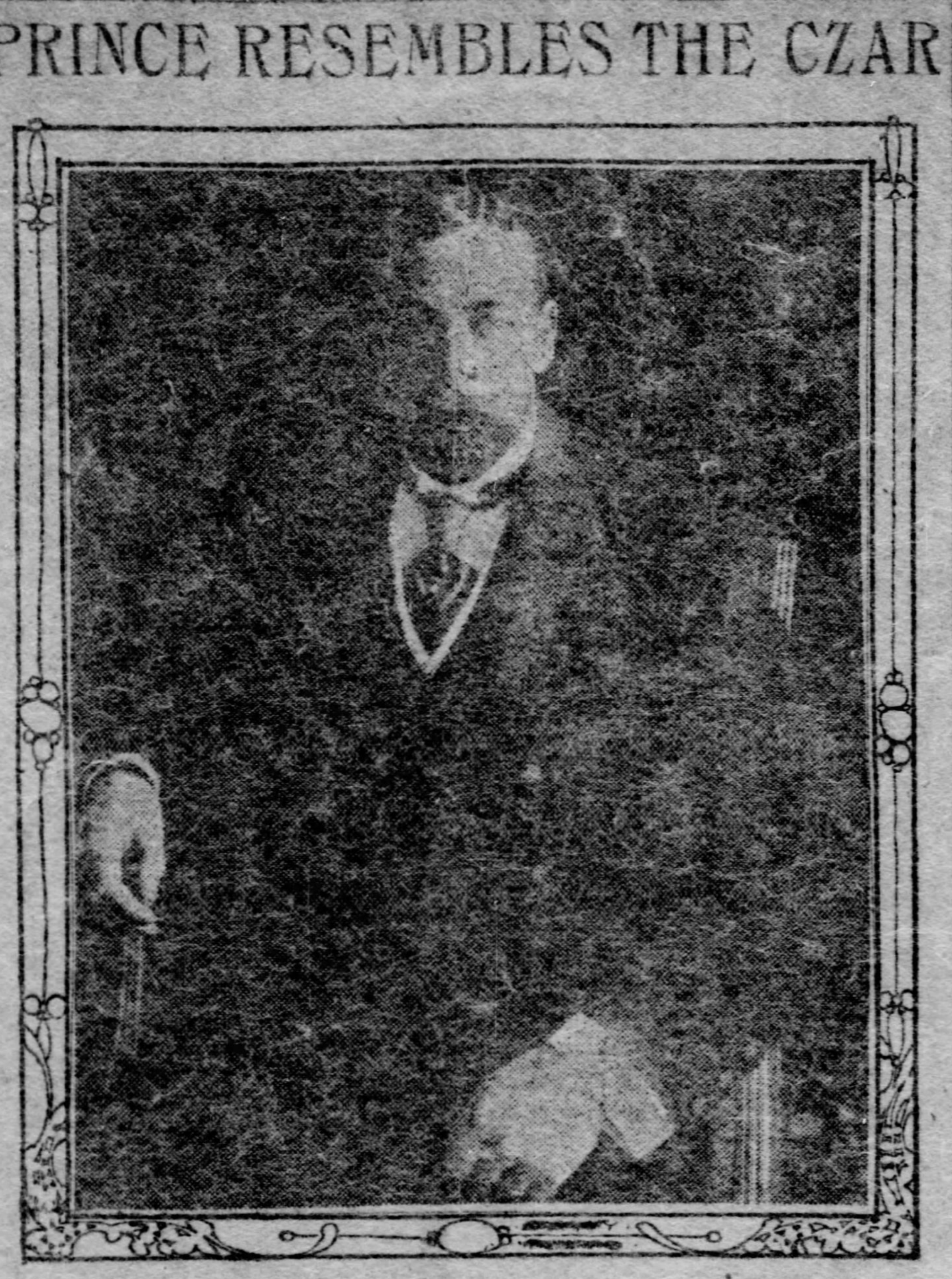
Detectives Richard Kelly and William Riley last night arrested a man whom they docketed in the Central station record as "Ed." Devlin, a painter, of 563 Seventh avenue. They arrested him at Fifth avenue and Grant street. The detectives refused to say anything about the case.

Carnegie Furnaces Resume.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 19.—Fires have been lighted in the two Carnegie furnaces here, and they will be in full operation within a week. The plants have been idle since June.

Christmas Turkeys,
ducks, geese and capons, our own dressing; order early—the only reliable house, McCann & Co., 401-410 Market street.

PRINCE RESEMBLES THE CZAR



This latest portrait of the Prince of Wales emphasizes the resemblance of the future king of England to Czar Nicholas more than any ever taken before.

MORE JAIL SENTENCES; MORE BALLOT FRAUDS

The Deeper Colorado's Supreme Court Probes, Greater is the Corruption.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

DENVER, COL., Dec. 19.—The supreme court today adjudged Leonard Rodgers, William G. Adams, Louis Hamburg and Thomas Kinsley guilty of contempt for conduct at the recent election in violation of the court's injunctive order. Each was given a jail sentence and fined.

Rogers is a deputy sheriff and was a candidate on the Democratic ticket for the state senate. Kinsley is a pugilist.

Expert M. M. Hamma reported today that of 371 ballots found in the box from precinct three, ward four, which was ordered opened by the court Saturday, 251 Democratic votes were apparently written by four persons, 229 of the 251 being written by one person. Six Republican votes were written by two persons.

FIGHT FOR FENDERS BIDS FAIR TO GET INTO COURT

East End Board of Trade Threatens to Resort to Extreme Measures Unless Relief Comes.

The East End board of trade will go into court to compel the use of fenders on Pittsburgh street cars unless Director Harry Moore takes steps to bring that about. This decision was reached at the monthly meeting of the board last evening, when the special committee appointed to investigate this matter reported.

The committee gathered a great amount of data on the subject. It reported that Director Moore stated fenders could not be used in Pittsburgh because of the hilly streets. The committee asked permission to employ legal assistance and take the question to court. It was instructed to proceed as it saw fit.

The committee appointed to consider the matter of a high school site reported that it had looked at a number of sites, but recommended none. J. H. Harrison offered a resolution putting the board on record as favoring the Lloyd site and a number of members spoke in favor of it, but the resolution was tabled. The committee was instructed to call a special meeting of the board if it agreed upon any site.

The following nominations were made of persons to fill the offices for the ensuing term: President, T. D. Harman; vice president, J. P. Stevens, J. H. Harrison; secretary, Chauncey Lobinger; treasurer, J. P. Aughammer; directors, 10 to elect, O. H. Allerton, G. W. Chalfant, J. W. Wallace, A. G. Roenigk, H. H. Negley, W. R. Kuhn, William MacFarland, J. B. Youngson, S. A. Dickie, R. M. Vincent, J. S. Brown, R. C. Clark, W. S. Wakefield, W. J. Ward, C. H. West W. J. Arsdale, S. W. Vandersal, T. D. Davis, N. K. Delavan, W. J. Spahr, Charles W. Houston, J. A. Wilson, G. W. Kratz, J. H. Coleman.

ABBOTT STIRS THINGS UP.

Sensational Announcement Credited to Dr. Lyman Abbott Calls Forth Replies from Pittsburgh Ministers.

"I could easily imagine Lyman Abbott and Bishop Potter as a composite picture of the devil as an angel of light and of darkness," declared the Rev. Dr. Wilbur Crafts yesterday, discussing the address of the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott before Harvard students last Sunday when he is reported to have announced that he no longer believed in the first cause and that the days of polytheism were past. Continuing, Dr. Crafts said:

"Lyman Abbott, besides his attacks on the Bible, favors wine drinking and an open saloon on Sunday. In this he agrees with Bishop Potter. Both men are probably clean and sincere, but they work more harm to the moral world than any other two men living."

"Any infidel can say that," said the Rev. Dr. J. T. McCrory, referring to Dr. Abbott's address; "we used to call a man a liar, but now we call him a prevaricator." The Rev. Dr. Davis of Sharpsburg announced that he could not understand Dr. Abbott's utterances and would write to him for particulars. Other clergymen assembled at weekly ministerial meetings took offense at the remarks credited to Dr. Abbott.

WOMAN SUES FOR JUDGMENT.

Won Damage Suits for Defamation of Character—Defendant Declares Himself to Be Bankrupt.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Grace Mankey of Washington has begun an action in the court of common pleas here in assumpsit against Hugh L. Stocking and James S. Stocking, his father, to recover $6,200 with interest from November 23, 1903, together with the costs of other suits, amounting to $22 91. Miss Mankey sued Hugh L. Stocking for damages for defamation of character.

Two trials resulted in a verdict each time for the plaintiff, the last verdict being $6,200, the amount sued for in the present proceeding. After judgment had been entered, H. L. Stocking filed a bond in the sum of $10,000 that he would appear in court and present his discharge under the insolvency law. This bond was signed by H. L. Stocking and James L. Stocking. Reasons are set forth in the present proceeding why the bond should be declared forfeited.

Arrested for Stealing Oil Barrels.

Frank Diegman of Greenfield avenue and D. Conners of the Ninth ward, were arrested last night as suspicious persons. They are accused of stealing several oil barrels from the Star tin plate works at South Twelfth street.

VENANGO GRAND JURY URGES INDICTMENTS

Recommends Action Against Commissioners and Others. Charges Unproven.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

FRANKLIN, Dec. 19.—The final report of the grand jury investigating charges of official corruption recited by Congressman Joseph C. Sibley in an open letter was presented this afternoon. The report recommends the indictments of John Irwin, John Lamberton and Charles W. Shaner, comprising the present board of county commissioners, on five separate charges of failing to comply with the law relative to awarding contracts, and Walter S. Meserve of the Rochester Bridge and Construction Company and R. E. Jones, a Franklin contractor, for conspiracy. Meserve is alleged to have paid Jones $50 for bidding above a certain sum for moving a bridge.

The report calls attention to the fact that the grand jurors were unable to verify Sibley's charge of the existence of "ring of public plunderers" and that in the main his charges of corruption are unconfirmed. The board of county commissioners are severely criticized for their laxity of methods in general. In detail they are severely criticized for their ignorance of bridge matters, which placed them at the mercy of the builders; for failing to employ a bridge expert to estimate costs; for employing as supervising engineer, a man who was in the employ of the contractor's bondsmen; for refusing to open the bid of a man against whom they had personal prejudices; for negligence in allowing valuable papers to lie around; for the presence of friction on the board; for ignoring their attorney's advice, and for attending to private affairs to the exclusion of those of the county.

The report further criticises Irwin for talking too much in public relative to the equity suit against the Penn Bridge Company and for making a proposal to drop the same, if the county solicitor would discontinue the appeal from the auditors' report allowing ex-County Treasurer Borland commissions on certain moneys.

WIFE BEATERS' VICTIMS.

One Woman Suffers from Broken Leg as Result of Pounding.

Mrs. Annie Sateuska of Hope Church, near Homestead, is at St. John's General hospital, Allegheny, suffering from a broken leg and with her body covered with abrasions and bruises. It is alleged her injuries resulted from a beating administered by her husband, Saturday night. Her brother, Louis Matoes, 2014 Hoffman street, learned of her condition and had her removed to the hospital.

Magistrate J. F. Kane held George Hillard of 406 Taylor street in $1,000 bail for court yesterday on a charge of beating his wife. The wife stated the man had abused her frequently. The magistrate, in his remarks to the prisoner, said he heartily favored that portion of President Roosevelt's message relating to the whipping post for wife beaters.

PROBING MUSEUM CHARGES.

Members of State Game Commission Take Testimony in Bird Slaughter Case.

A committee appointed by the state game commission has been taking testimony relative to the charges made by the trustees of the Pittsburgh Carnegie museum to the effect that the report made by Secretary Kalbfus to the commission last summer, to the effect that the museum authorities were killing birds in unwarranted numbers, was false.

The committee in taking testimony has heard witnesses for Secretary Kalbfus and for the museum. Judgment has been withheld and in all probability another hearing will be held in the case shortly.

COL GREENE'S BETE NOIR IS FINALLY DISCHARGED

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—As another echo of the Greene-Lawson feud that ended in a Boston tea party, James W. Goodman, "the westerner" who once threatened the life of Col. W. C. Greene, and who was arrested last week on the complaint of Col. Greene for threatening him again, was discharged by Judge Foster in the court of general sessions this afternoon.

LITTLE RHODY TO ERECT VALLEY FORGE MEMORIAL

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Now that a clear title to the historic spot at Valley Forge has been obtained, the state of Rhode Island, after seven years of agitation, will pay for the monument which will be unveiled and dedicated June 19, 1905. For seven years the granite monument has been retained at the quarry of the Smith Granite Company at Westerly.

DIVERS FIND NO BODYS IN GLEN ISLAND'S HULL

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Not a body was found today by the divers who searched the sunken hull of the Glen Island. The divers believe the bodies have either washed overboard or else were wholly consumed by the flames which destroyed the steamboat. The steamer is a complete wreck.

CANCEL LAND CLAIMS BY THE WHOLESALE

DENVER, Dec. 19.—Fourteen hundred patents for timber claims in eastern Colorado were cancelled today by the land offices, and it is said as many more will be cancelled during the week. These cancellations are made because the locaters had not complied with the terms of the timber claim act.

MAKING CHANGES IN WORK'S MIDST

Enlargement of the Bank of Pittsburgh's Home Is Progressing Rapidly.

WILL LOWER 260-TON VAULT

Improvements and additions which will add still more to the convenience and beauty of the home of the Bank of Pittsburgh, National association, in Fourth avenue, are now rapidly approaching their finish. The first part of the addition comes into use for the first time today. This is the new directors' room, located in the extreme rear at the Third avenue end of the building. All is being done without interrupting business.

The consolidation of the Merchants and Manufacturers and Iron City national banks with the Bank of Pittsburgh just a year ago, with the growth of the enlarged institution since that time, have demanded an increase of the space and facilities in order to care for the greater volume of business.

The vault in its old location was in the center of the rear of the building. Back of the old building, extending to Third avenue, was a vacant plot. On this the bank has erected an addition harmonizing architecturally with the original structure. With the connection of the old building with the new, the vault would have stood in the center of the bankroom, very much in the way. At the same time it was the desire to change the arrangement of the banking room from the present one with the tellers' window facing an aisle on the west side, to a more modern design, with a center aisle.

It was decided that the most convenient arrangement would be to place the vault in the basement. This work has been started and the task of lowering the 520,000-pound case of solid steel to its permanent place is now under way. The new location is not exactly beneath the old one, the vault having been placed on rollers and shoved five feet forward. Blocks are being used, the weight of the massive structure now resting on these carefully piled supports. Around it is built a thick brick wall. From the banking room to the level of the vault floor an electric elevator will be run.

This vault is one of the largest money vaults in Pittsburgh. It is 14 by 17 feet in size and 11 feet high. Its walls are a foot thick, of solid steel, and at the doors the walls are nearly three feet in thickness.

The new addition will serve more purposes than that of giving additional room for the clerical work of the institution. It has two stories and a basement. In this addition will be dining rooms for the officers and for the employes, with a complete kitchen and kitchen lockers, the directors' room, lockers for the employes, lavatories, vaults for the storage of papers and supplies and other features which were not possible in the older building.

The work has been in charge of Architects Vrydaugh & Wolfe of Pittsburgh. It is their expectation that all will be complete by March 1.

LAYING BRICK AT THE TOP.

How Pittsburgh Terminal Transfer Co. Is Sinking a Big Well.

It is not customary to commence laying brick at the top, but that is what the Pittsburgh Terminal and Transfer Company is doing at the warehouses it is building between South Third and Fourth streets. The company is putting down a well there and is starting the brick work at the top.

The well is 16 feet in diameter and the brick walls are three feet thick. It will be about 60 feet deep. The contractor dug the well to the water and then bricked it up inside. Now he is digging still deeper with a "clamshell." At the dirt is taken out of the well the great brick cylinder settles into the ground and, as it goes down, course after course of brick is laid on top.

HOPES FOR A REVERSAL.

Executive Board Will Hear Case of President McNeill of Boilermakers.

A special meeting of the executive board of the Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Ship Builders will be held in Kansas City, January 2, called for the purpose of trying President John McNeil, who is charged with malfeasance of office, and who has been suspended for one year and fine $100 by Gate City lodge, of which he is a member.

The constitution of the organization stipulates that when any national officer is impeached by his local, he can appeal the case to the executive board. President McNeil thinks the Gate City's decision will be reversed by the executive board.

OLD CONSTELLATION OUTWEATHERED STORM

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 19.—The United States training ship Constellation, concerning which considerable anxiety had been felt, arrived here today from New York. The historic old craft went through Sunday morning's storm without damage, having anchored at City Island when the storm came up.

WILL RESUME WITH OPEN-SHOP POLICY

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—On January 1 the sheet mill of the Inland steel mills at Indiana Harbor will resume work with 300 men, under an open-shop scale of wages. No union man will be employed as such, it is said. The mills closed last July, owing to a strike following a cut of 40 per cent in wages.

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$9.75

Same style of Chiffonier with wood back; our special price,

$4.75

This extra large Chase Leather Couch—full biscuit tufting — solid oak—handsomely carved frame, springs are practically indestructible —worth every cent of $35—our special price only.................. $18.75

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MUST AFFILIATE WITH IRON CITY

Local Labor Unions Belonging to the A. F. of L. Must Join the Central Council.

STEAMFITTERS TO BE SHUT OUT

The American Federation of Labor has decided that all local unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, either directly or through national or international organizations, must affiliate with central bodies where such exist and also that Pittsburgh must be completely organized before the next annual convention of the great labor body, which will be held in this city in November of next year.

Both these decisions are an indirect slap at the Knights of Labor and the unions which refuse to support the Iron City Central council. There are several unions in the Pittsburgh district which have refused to affiliate with the Iron City, the American Federation of Labor central body. They belong to the Building Trades' council and also to the United Labor league. By forcing them into the Iron City, as they cannot support more than one central body, they will have to desert the other two central organizations. This action of the American Federation of Labor body will have a tendency to strengthen the Iron City and by the time the national convention takes place that body will in all probability dominate the affairs of the labor movement in this district.

Another effect this order will have will be to freeze out the organizations which refuse to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. Next Thursday evening the Iron City is expected to comply with orders from the American Federation of Labor headquarters, to unseat the delegates from local No. 218 of the steamfitters, a dual organization of the steamfitters affiliated with the plumbers' union. This is a sequel to the fight in the last convention resulting from President Samuel Gompers' order revoking the charter of the Chicago central body because they refused to unseat delegates from dual organizations.

The Washington (D. C.) central body received the same instructions, and obeyed the order. But 18 other trades left the central body in sympathy. Whether such will be the case next Thursday night when the steamfitters are expelled is a matter of much concern to the American Federation of Labor leaders.

A general influx of organizers of the American Federation of Labor is expected after the first of the year. President Gompers is determined to have Pittsburgh workmen carry American Federation of Labor cards by next November. The first detachment of organizers arrived yesterday when P. J. Conlon, first vice president of the International Associations of Machinists got here from Cleveland. Calvin Wyatt, Thomas H. Flynn and George B. Squires, American Federation of Labor organizers, are also here. A campaign is to be waged until all workmen in the district are affiliated with the great labor organization.

TAX IS NOT ASSESSED.

Director Bigelow Fails to Furnish City Treasurer Data on Switches.

Required December 1.

Former Councilman William H. Stevenson called upon City Treasurer Steel yesterday to learn why the switch license tax, levied under a nordinance passed in October, 1903, was not being collected. The ordinance levies a tax of $75 on a turn-out, and 50 cents per linear foot on private sidings and switches.

It also requires that the names of owners of the tracks and the measurements of each shall be furnished by the director of public works on or before December 1, and that the treasurer shall at once begin the collection of the tax.

Treasurer Steels said he had not been furnished with this data and had not known before of the existence of the ordinance. He promised to look the matter up. The failure of Director Bigelow to give the city treasurer this information last year prevented the tax being collected in 1903, although some payments, amounting to about $16,000, were collected under the previous law, which was repealed by the linear tax law.

SEVEN BUTTERINE DEALERS ARE HELD FOR COURT

Seven persons, butterine dealers, charged with selling oleomargerine without a license, using coloring matter and selling renovated butter, were before Alderman John Groetzinger yesterday on information of Agent H. L. Banzhoff of the state dairy and food commission. The defendants were Owen McCann, 401 Market street; A. Appel, Jr., South Side market; J. J. Rungee, Liberty market; Samuel Childs, 2211 Fifth avenue; Pennsylvania Butter Company, Diamond market; Mrs. A. J. Glass, 2215 Fifth avenue; John A. Zimmer, Allegheny market. They were held in $300 bail each for court. George Smoley, a butcher, of 2240 Beaver avenue, Allegheny, was held for court for selling adulterated pork sausage.

Will Give Minstrel Performance.

The Young Men's Christian association of Wilmerding are planning for their second annual minstrel entertainment Monday and Tuesday evenings, January 2 and 3. The minstrel first part will include 31 voices with the Imperial quartet of Pittsburgh. Harry Boyle and Edward Reed will act as end men with W. T. McCullough as interlocutor. The McKeesport symphony orchestra has been secured.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Thomas Foley	Tarentum
Theresa Given	Brackenridge
George Harris	Hites
Mable Williams	Tarentum
Frank Matterson	Allegheny
Mary Walker	Allegheny
Thomas Bitis	Port Vue
Clara Danielson	McKeesport
James W. Newman	Castle Shannon
Bessie McLean	Castle Shannon
John Moody	Beaver Falls
Ann E. Furnival	Beaver Falls
Freeman Phillips	Ellsworth
Mary Williams	Ellsworth
Thomas M. Jones	Allegheny
Myrtle E. Robb	Allegheny
David J. Pearce	Edgeworth
Estella M. Sevin	Edgeworth
Levi D. Robinson	Pittsburgh
Louisa Smalls	Pittsburgh
Joseph F. Strong	McKeesport
Sarah R. McLaughlin	Allegheny
Andy Pary	Pittsburgh
Tessie D'Alessio	Pittsburgh
Thomas Aloe	Pittsburgh
Leonora D'Alessio	Pittsburgh
Carl J. Hedges	Pittsburgh
Helen Regel	Pittsburgh
Jesse D. Armstrong	Glenshaw
Emma Man	Glenshaw
Harry Scholl	Pittsburgh
Maggie Williams	Moundsville, W. Va.
Charles F. Ehrenfeld	Millvale
Mary Conlon	Allegheny
Charles A. Symons	McKeesport
Luella B. Wilson	McKeesport

CARRIERS IGNORE THE COMMISSION

Power to Fix Interstate Commerce Rates Should Be Enforced by Law.

REPORT MADE TO CONGRESS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The annual report of the interstate commerce commission was made public today. The report contains an exhaustive discussion of the rate question, the burden of which is that laws making effective the acts of the commission are imperative. On this subject the report says in part:

> In the present state of law, after careful and often extended investigation, the commission may find a rate complained against to be unreasonable and order the carrier to desist from charging that rate for the future, but it cannot find and order the reasonable rate to be substituted for that which has been found to be unlawful.
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> Any reduction of the wrongful charge amounts to technical compliance and frees the carrier from any legal obligations under the order. The commission can condemn the wrong, but it cannot prescribe the remedy. Carriers are entitled to ignore the order of the commission and await the judgment of the circuit court upon a petition by the commission and another trial of the issues in that court. The more important the case may be, the greater the benefit conferred upon shippers or communities, the less likely is the order of the commission to be obeyed. The amendments to the statute recommended by the commission involve no fixing of whole tariffs of rates in the first instance, or at any time, but simply the redressing of transportation wrongs shown to exist after full investigation in which all affected interests have been heard, and when an order is issued against a carrier under such procedure it should, by operation of law, become effective upon the date therein specified.

Discussing the use of private cars in freight traffic, the commission discovers the following evils:

> First—Concessions are made to particular shippers in refrigeration charges which amount to the payment of a rebate.
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> Second—A practical monopoly has been created in the use of private cars for the movement of certain commodities, especially fruit, which has enormously increased to the public cost of transportation.
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> Third—When the owner of the car becomes a dealer in the commodity transported the fact of ownership gives him an important advantage over his competitors.
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> Fourth—When the owner of the car is also the owner of the commodity transported an excess rental for the car may amount to a preference in the freight rate, as against the shipper who does not own his car.

The terminal railroad owned or controlled by shippers is believed by the commission to be a most dangerous means of giving preferences to favored persons. An instance is that of the Chicago, Lake Shore & Eastern railway, practically controlled by the United States Steel Corporation. This road, which is used as a switching road for the Illinois Steel Company's traffic, receives for the service percentages of rates to the east and went, which give it $6 to $12 a car. The commission has found this amount to be much in excess of fair compensation.

Upon complaint of numerous commercial organizations, the report continues:

> An investigation into proposed changes in the uniform bill of lading has been instituted. Hearing was recently had in Chicago, when the shippers' testimony was received. The carriers have now issued notices that the time for the taking effect of the new form of bill of lading has been postponed to April 1 next, to enable the commission to satisfactorily complete its pending investigation and injury.

Regarding the safety appliance law, the report says:

> The good effect of the amending act, especially in securing more effective control of trains through the increased usage of the airbrakes, is marked. Since the law became fully operative the number of brakemen employed on trains has been reduced on some eastern roads upon the stated ground that the control of trains by airbrakes renders the employment of the former number unnecessary.
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> The law is generally well observed so far as the proportion of airbrake cars in service is concerned, but many of these cars are run in such defective condition as to be really inoperative in respect to the use of the airbrakes.
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> The number of trainmen killed in coupling accidents during the year was 278 and the number injured was 3,441. A large proportion of these deaths and injuries were due to defective equipment, compelling the men to go between the cars to couple and uncouple, and might have been avoided had proper attention been given to the maintenance of safety appliances.

SOUTH NEEDS EDUCATION.

Boston Man Who Has Studied Southern Race Problems Addressed Ministerial Meeting Yesterday.

The Rev. Dr. William R. Webster of Boston, vice president and secretary of the Kinsey institute of Alabama, and Grant university of Chattanooga, discussed the race problem before the Methodist Ministerial association yesterday. He ascribed most of the troubles in the south to the presence of ignorant whites with their feuds and biased ideas. He held that a liberal school system was the essential requisite of the south and its peace and prosperity.

The Rev. Charles Stelzel, who is urging the "workingman's church" in the interests of the Presbyterian board of home missions, addressed the ministerial association of that denomination. He caused surprise by announcing that ministers, generally, were supposed to be opposed to labor unions. He held that this impression must cease to exist before the workingman could be brought into the church.

T. G. Gillespie, a layman, read a paper on "Sabbath Schools" before the United Presbyterian clergymen. The Rev. J. H. Higby addressed the Baptist ministers on scriptural texts, and the Rev. E. C. Lane spoke before the Methodist Protestant pastors on "The Resurrection of the Dead." The Rev. R. W. Wood addressed the Lutheran ministers on "The First Petition of the Lord's Prayer."

BOARD OF HEALTH AND COUNCILS IN SQUABBLE

War has been declared by the McKeesport board of health on those persons having in charge the testing of the new city garbage furnace. Yesterday Health Officer Walker learned that several loads of garbage had been hauled to the new plant without the permission of the board of health. Walker declared that the board had not been consulted, and that until orders had been received from that office all refuse would have to go to the old furnace. It is understood that the health board will have nothing to do with the new furnace until after it has been formally accepted by councils.

Postoffice Force Increased.

Arrangements for handling the increase in mail matter which is expected to pass through the postoffice this week were made yesterday. Extra men will be kept at work while the rush lasts. The department has allowed 200 extra hours for clerks, and 150 extra hours for carriers.

SOCIETY

DR. AND MRS. LAWRENCE LITCHFIELD of Fifth avenue, East End, gave a small informal dinner last evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Simmens of Rome, Italy, who are in Pittsburgh for a short visit. Dinner was served at 7 o'clock for Mr. and Mrs. Simmens, Mrs. Warrington W. Warwick, Francis William Pierpont and the host and hostess. Red roses were used for the table decorations. During their stay in Pittsburgh Mr. and Mrs. Simmens are at the Hotel Schenley, where they have been since Sunday. After the dinner last evening they were entertained by H. J. Heinz at his home in Penn avenue.

Mr. Simmens is the famous sculptor, many of whose works are now on public exhibition in America. One of his works is the statue of Gov. Francis Harrison Pierpont of Virginia, now West Virginia, which is in statuary hall, Washington, D. C., and the statue of John Pierpont, the noted New England poet, which is also on exhibition in the capital city. Among the other well-known works of Mr. Simmens is the equestrian statue of Gen. Logan, which stands in the Iowa circle, Washington; the peace monument, the statue of Gen. Grant, that of Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island, and of William King, first governor of Maine, all of which are in Washington. He also carved the soldiers' and sailors' monument in Portland, Me., and before coming to this country last summer finished a bas-relief model of "The Genius of Progress Leading the Nations." In his studio in Rome he has a small bronze of "Washington at Valley Forge."

It is three years since Mr. and Mrs. Simmens were last in Pittsburgh, and at that time they were extensively entertained in a social way. Their stay in this city is indefinite. They expect to remain in Washington for the winter, returning in the spring to Rome, where they have lived for the past 25 years.

Dick-Speer.

Of unusual interest to Pittsburgh society was the wedding of Miss Harriet A. Dick, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Samuel B. Dick of Meadville, and Joseph McKnight Speer of this city, which took place in Christ Protestant Episcopal Meadville, yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, D. D., bishop of the Pittsburgh diocese. The bride was unattended. She was driven to the church with her father as her escort and then passed up the aisle on the arm of the groom, the ushers leading the wedding party, which included the best man, J. Ramsey Speer, a brother of the bridegroom, and the ushers, George M. Laughlin, Jr., Hermon Griffin, John Henry Dick, brother of the bride, and James R. Taylor. The bride was gowned in pure white, with a beautiful bridal veil.

The following out-of-town guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. John Z. Speer, parents of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey Speer, Dr. and Mrs. William H. Mercur, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr., Miss Gertrude M. Childs, Miss Louise Kay, Mrs. L. J. Laughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Griffin, Mrs. D. A. Stewart, Mrs. Kramer, Charles McKnight, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Miller, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mellon, Hugart Laughlin, Miss Ricketson, Mrs. W. K. Shiras and the Misses Chalfant of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Simon Perkins and Miss Perkins of Sharon, and Mrs. Louis Shephard of Evansville, Ind. The Pittsburghers went to Sharon in a special car.

Following the ceremony, which was very quietly conducted, there was a reception at the home of Col. and Mrs. Dick, after which Mr. and Mrs. Speer left for the south. At the conclusion of their wedding trip they will occupy "Cloverly Cottage," the home of Mr. Speer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Z. Speer, in Dallas avenue, until April, when they expect to take possession of the Seely house in the Beechwood boulevard.

Will Build New Club House.

The members of the "Knoxville Kountry Klub" are completing arrangements for a minstrel show for the evenings of December 29 and 30 in the auditorium of the Knoxville High school. The proceeds will go toward the building fund of the club and toward the Knoxville library, which is the old Mercantile library, formerly in Penn avenue, now in the Knoxville school building. The members of the Kountry Klub will begin the erection of a $500 frame structure next month, and in the course of a few years will build a more commodious house at a cost of $15,000. The club has a membership list of 50, with Harry Stevens as president, George Moore, vice president; Edward Renton, secretary, and Herbert Stahl, treasurer. All the members will take part in the minstrel show, a feature of which will be the songs of the Princeton quartet composed of William Armstrong, Howard Armstrong, Charles McClintock and James Grimes. Mr. Grimes is leader of the Princeton Banjo club. Herbert Stahl is acting as manager of the minstrel show, for which a very attractive program has been arranged.

Planning Novel Entertainments.

Miss Isabel Stone of North avenue, Allegheny, is planning a novel little Christmas tea which she will give at her home, from 3 until 5 o'clock, next Saturday afternoon. Her guests will be her friends from the Allegheny Preparatory school. The tea will be marked by several unique features which are to be kept secret until Saturday. Mrs. Stone will pour chocolate for her daughter. Miss Jean Stone, the eldest daughter of the house, has invitations out for a Watch Night party at Donegal's inn, near West View, on Saturday, December 31. The guests will be met with bob-sleds at the top of the long hill at the foot of which is the inn. After the ride down the hill a chicken and waffle supper will be served and the old year will be bidden a merry farewell. The following week Miss Stone expects to give a tea in honor of Miss Emma Boggs, whose engagement to James McBride has just been announced. Early next year Mrs. Stone will entertain with a series of dinners.

Bughman-White Wedding Today.

The chief event in the Pittsburgh social world today is the wedding of Miss Virginia Frances Bughman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Bughman, and William White, Jr., which will take place at the Bughman home in Woodland road, at 8:30 o'clock this evening. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Thomas White of Albany, N. Y., a brother of the bridegroom, and the Rt. Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, D. D., bishop of the Pittsburgh diocese, will be present to bestow his blessing at the close of the service. In addition to the maid of honor, Miss Genevieve Bughman, and the best man, Judge W. D. Porter, the bridal party will include three ribbon-bearers, William Frew, a cousin of the bride, and her two brothers, Henry Clay Bughman, Jr., and Reuben Bughman. The ceremony will be witnessed only by the relatives and most intimate friends, but will be followed at 9 o'clock by a large reception. The rehearsal for the wedding took place last evening.

Home from Mexico.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Riter, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Coffin and little Miss Mary Oliver Coffin, all of this city, returned on Sunday morning from a five-weeks' trip to Mexico. The party spent two weeks in Mexico City, stopping in Kansas City, El Paso and Chicago en route from Pittsburgh. The trip to Vera Cruz, from Mexico, was made by water and in coming home the party stopped over in Havana. On account of the yellow fever in Mexico persons coming from that place to Havana are required to remain in quarantine for five days, but through the aid of the American consul at Havana the Pittsburgh party remained but three hours. They reached this city by way of New York.

Tourists Study Japan.

The study of Japan was continued yesterday at the meeting of the Tourists club in the assembly room of the Business Women's club, Arch street, Allegheny. Miss Jeannette Grove opened the program with a reading on "Japanese Temples," Miss Rebekah Gaston following with a sketch entitled "Sacred Rocks and Trees"—Miss Gaston was accompanist for the day; the musical portion of the program including vocal solos by Mrs. Arthur Thacher and Miss Marion Gaston. Mrs. Alexander Archibald McLachlan gave a paper on "Shinto Religion and Japanese Buddhism." Mrs. M. D. Lichliter concluding the meeting with a review of Christian mission stations in Japan.

Pennsylvania Girls With the Deweys.

Admiral and Mrs. George Dewey entertained Mrs. Arthur Ramsay and the young women from the Fairmont seminary at their residence in Washington City last Friday afternoon. Among the Pennsylvania girls present were Miss Althea Kline of Allentown; Miss Elizabeth Watt and Miss Ida Irish of Norristown; Miss Ruth Greenwood and Miss Silvia Bowman of Williamsport; Miss Emma Cochran of Uniontown; Miss Christine Borchers of Washington; Miss Amelia Bigler and Miss Marion Bigler of Clearfield.

Entertained at Concordia Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Feuchtwanger and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Feuchtwanger gave a "pink domino" dance in the Concordia club last evening in honor of Miss Eva Aarons of New Work and Miss Adelaide Kingsbaker of Chicago, who are visiting friends in the city. The two hostesses, with the guests of honor and Mrs. R. Feuchtwanger, received together. The guests were all masked until midnight, when supper was served.

Mrs. Moorehead's Bridge Party.

Mrs. William Booth Trainer and Mrs. Fletcher Dickerman Hallock shared the honors yesterday at the bridge party which Mrs. Horace Moorhead gave at her home, Fifth and Bellefield avenues. Mrs. Trainer, who is a niece of the hostess, was formerly Miss Martha D. Dalzell, and Mrs. Dickerman, who is a sister of Mrs. Moorhead, will be remembered as Miss Margaret B. Brown.

An Informal House Dance.

Quite a pleasant social affair of last evening was the dance which Mrs. John Edgar Haines of Mathilda street gave for her daughter, Miss Anna Haines, and the latter's house guest, Miss Martha Ecker of Oakmont. A half hundred school friends of the young guests of honor were present. The dance programs were embossed in blue and gold with the monogram of Miss Haines.

"Solitude" to Be Opened.

Mr. and Mrs. George Westinghouse are coming to Pittsburgh for the holidays the latter part of this week, probably on Saturday, and will then open "Solitude," their residence in Homewood, for a short time. The opening of "Solitude" always means a continuous round of smart little dinners.

Notes of Society.

The Allegheny College Glee and Mandolin club, consisting of 25 students, will give an entertainment in the Union Methodist Episcopal church, Pennsylvania avenue and Manhattan street, Allegheny, this evening. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church.

The Pennsylvania club of Notre Dame university will give a dance in Braun's auditorium on the evening of January 4.

Miss M. Leslie Lewis of Allegheny, who has been in Nyack, N. Y., for some time, is home for the holidays.

Miss Dorothy Slocum of South Linden avenue will give a tea next Friday afternoon.

MANY ARE LEAD ASTRAY BY GLAMOUR OF THE SEASON

Honesty of Foreigners Falls Away When Subjected to Temptation of Holiday Shops.

Within the last two weeks the police have been surprised at the number of foreigners they were obliged to arrest because of petty thefts.

"I have been called upon to arrest men and women who I could almost swear have been honest all their lives," said a policeman yesterday, who has several times been called off his beat to make arrests in stores; "but when they go into a store and see counters heaped high with notions, all the clerks busy with other customers, nobody, apparently, having an eye on the goods and everybody handling the articles exposed for sale, they fall into temptation and give way to it. This is especially true at Christmas time."

Policeman Peter Henretta was called into a Fifth avenue store yesterday to arrest two Italians, Joseph Manuelo and Angelo Groseno, as suspicious persons. In their pockets were found several articles, not one of them worth more than 10 cents. They had been observed handling the things and dropping them surreptitiously into their overcoat pockets.

Among others accused of being suspicious persons was G. F. Edmunds, who had 21 penknives, a clock and shaving implements in his pockets. Lolito Romeley, another suspect, was accused by J. S. Minor of Kittanning with stealing $80 from him. Minor was locked up, charged with drunkenness, and the $80 was found in Romeley's vest pocket.

AN ITALIAN DOUBLE WEDDING.

Two Out of Fifteen Children Will Be Joined in Wedlock.

Fabio D'Alessio of 614 Webster avenue is a happy man. Two of his daughters are to be married in St. Peters Roman Catholic church January 5. D'Alessio is the father of 15 children and he was very proud and happy when he appeared at the office of the marriage license clerk yesterday to assist in the securing of licenses.

Tessie D'Alessio is 20 years of age and pretty. She is to wed "Andy" Pary. Her sister, Leonora, 18 years old, is to become the bride of Thomas Aloe. The father of the young women appeared to give his consent to their marriage, they both being under age. He informed the license clerk that he was the father of 15 children, 10 of whom are living. He has two daughters already married and is very proud of his family and their matrimonial prospects. License Clerk Hegner told him he would let President Roosevelt hear about him and D'Alessio was greatly pleased thereat.

Took a Shot at Currie.

J. H. Currie, a bootblack at the Hotel Griswold, yesterday caused Thomas Gillian, a porter, of stealing his overcoat. Gillian whipped out a revolver and fired at Currie, hitting him in the thumb. Employes of the hotel overpowered Gillian and both men were locked up.

GIVE $1,000 TO PROMOTE A GREATER PITTSBURGH

Chamber of Comerce Board Holds Monthly Meeting and Is Addressed on Opium Traffic.

At the regular monthly board meeting of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday the Greater Pittsburgh committee was voted $1,000 for expenses. The former banquet committee was continued. A favorable report was made of the recent convention at Huntington of the Ohio Valley Improvement association.

President Eaton named Maj. A. P. Burchfield, Dr. W. J. Holland, the Rev. Dr. J. Leonard Levy, John B. Jackson and George H. Anderson as delegates to the National Moard of Trade convention. J. W. Cook, a lumber dealer, was elected to membership.

The Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, superintendent of the National Reform bureau, Washington, addressed the board on the "Effects of the Opium Traffic on American Foreign Commerce." He stated that 120,000,000 Chinese live in borrowed rags and spend all their meager wages for opium. Spending their money this way, they cannot spend it for American goods, as England has a treaty with China by which England sells China all its opium at an annual profit of $20,000,000. Therefore Dr. Crafts wants the Chamber to indorse his movement to have England's treaty with China annulled. The resolution he had prepared was referred to the committee on legislation.

THINK THE CHILDREN ATE SOME POISON IN THEIR SOUP

Three children of Martin Lacey, 1414 Jerome street, McKeesport, are seriously ill from poison believed to have been eaten in soup. The victims are Mary, aged 7, and Willie, aged 3 years, and Margaret, aged 18 months. Last night the eldest was in a critical condition, but the others had begun to rally. The soup was eaten at noon yesterday and shortly afterward the three children became violently ill.

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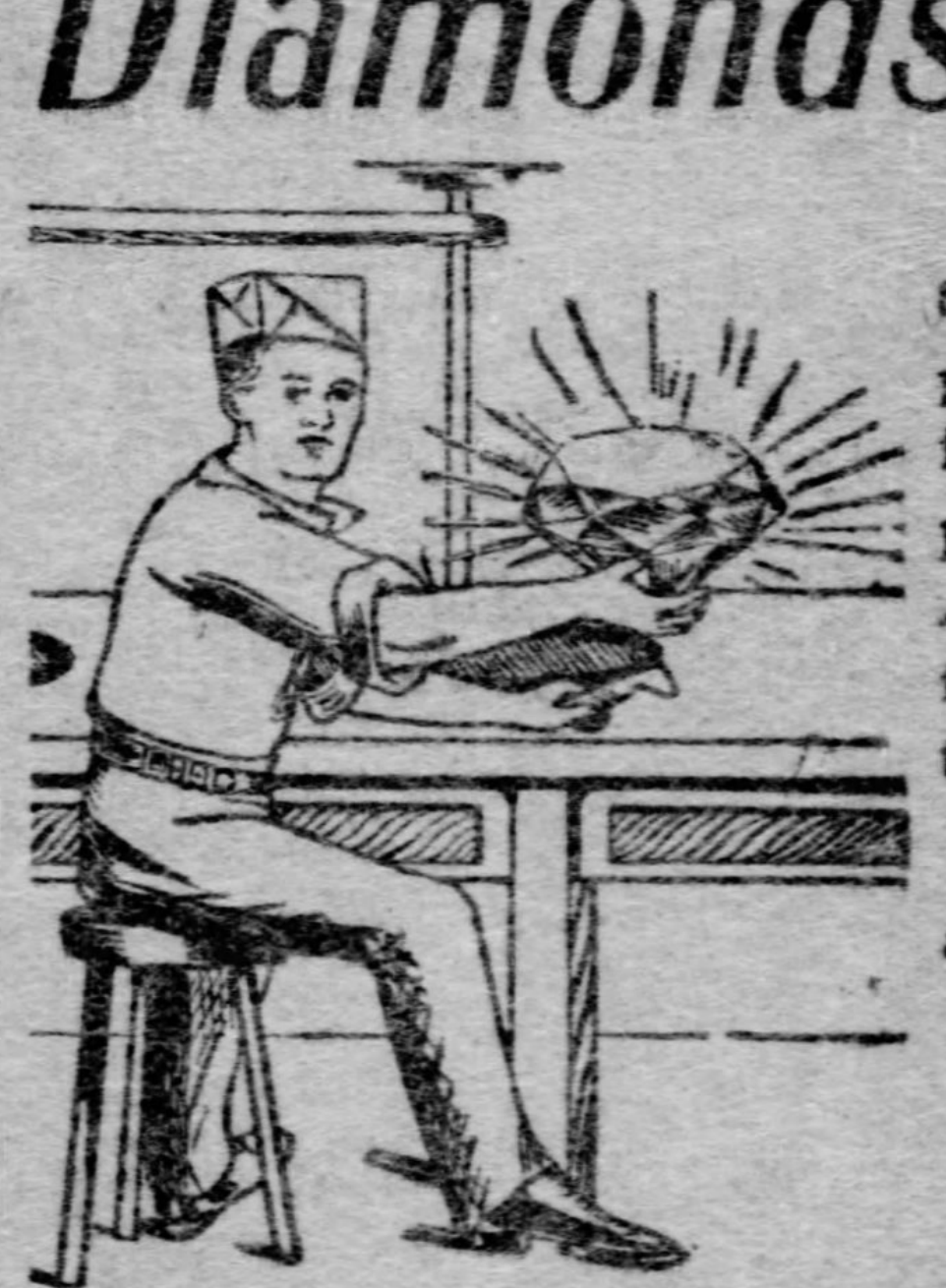

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NEGRESS PLEADS SELF-DEFENSE

Laura Biggar Bennett Again Acts as Her Own Attorney in No. 3 Court.

AMELIA KROLOVIC RELEASED

The commonwealth finished its testimony in the case in which Julia Ahlers, colored, is charged with the murder of Samuel Brown, and the defendant was on the stand when court adjourned yesterday. The woman lived with the man she is acused of killing, at a boarding house in East Pittsburgh. They had a quarrel over a dime and a torn shirtwaist, and she is accused of stabbing him to death.

Walter Jackson told of the quarrel and practically corroborated the woman's story as told to the police. Frank Jones described the fight and said that after the negress struck Brown he fell down the cellar steps. Mrs. Walter Jackson told a similar story, all agreeing that Brown struck the woman with a lump of coal before she stabbed him. Preston Giles heard the defendant say: "If anyone bothers me I'll put them out of business quick.'

Attorney Welford Holmes, attorney for the woman, said the trouble was started by one of the men in the house telling Brown the woman was on too intimate terms with another man. He asked for a verdict of not guilty on the grounds of self-defense.

The defendant in telling her story, said she lived with Brown, had drank some beer that day and that it had been "doped," as it made her crazy. She said the trouble started about 10 cents' car fare she wanted, and that Brown choked her and tore her waist. She said that after this Brown hit her with a lump of coal and stabbed her in the arm. She then reached to the sideboard and picked up what she thought was a glass to protect herself. She did not know Brown had died until the next day. She denied ever seeing the knife introduced at the coroner's inquest.

A petition asking for a rule on John Zisgen to show cause why a judgment should not be opened, was filed in common pleas court No. 3 by Laura Biggar Bennett. She presented the petition in person and was told by Judge Kennedy to give the paper to the clerk and that it would receive due consideration.

The petition states that Mrs. Bennett was interested in appeals to be taken in the New Jersey conspiracy cases. Zisgen, who is an attorney, was to do certain legal work, and she signed a note for his compensation. The note was in blank and she says that $250 was inserted in it without her knowledge. The petition alleges that Zisgen did not do the work as agreed and that while the judgment was recorded on February 12, last, she only knew of it on the first of this month.

Judge Brown gave a verdict of not guilty in the case of Amelia Krolovis, charged with the murder of her infant. On last Friday the defendant pleaded guilty to concealing the death of her illegitimate child and on this charge sentence was suspended. The charge of murder, made by the coroner, as was the charge to which she pleaded guilty, remained and the action of the court was necessary to dispose of the case.

Frank Howard, charged with felonious assault and battery, pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful wounding and was sent to the workhouse for six months. During a quarrel in Allegheny Howard cut Valentine Arnold with a knife.

John Purman, W. E. Johnston and Charles F. Eizler filed a suit in equity against J. J. King, asking for a return of money paid him. They allege King urged them to subscribe for stock in The Sun Publishing Company, a Democratic paper he was organizing, and they paid 40 per cent of the amount they subscribed, Furman paying $200 and the others $40 each. They claim King has never organized the company and that he has sold the plant which he owned and which was to be a part of the assets of the new organization.

A motion for a new trial for Franz Debold was filed. Debold was convicted of manslaughter for killing his 11-year-old son at Heidelberg. The claim of insanity was made, but the jury disregarded it. The new trial is asked for on the grounds that the verdict was against the weight of evidence and that the court erred in its charge to the jury.

An amendment to her answer in the suit of Ella M. Brown, executrix of the late J. O. Brown, was filed by Nattie W. McLean. The original answer stated she secured Brown's oil and gas interests on the Elroy Wagner farm in West Virginia, on January 9, 1903, and that his holdings had been a one-fourth interest. The answer changes the date to September 4, 1902, and the interest to seven-thirty-seconds. It also avers Brown had no interest in the lease after August 17, 1892.

The commissioner in the divorce case of Allison Binger against Maggie Binger, filed his report. Binger, who is a sergeant at the United States recruiting station, testified his wife was jealous and was addicted to the use of intoxicants. Considerable evidence was given along these lines. They were married in Watertown, N. Y., in 1891, and she left him in 1899.

A perpetual injunction was granted in the United States circuit court in the suit of the Thompson-Houston Electric Company against the W. K. Niver Company, an action over the use of a patent coal cutting machine. The case was decided on November 1, but the issuing of the order was delayed to give the defendant opportunity to install another device.

The borough of Coraopolis entered suits against the Central District Printing and Telegraph Company and the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Telephone Company to recover pole and wire taxes. There is alleged to be due from the Central District Printing and Telegraph Company $325, and from the P. and A., $185.

J. H. Hintermeister filed an answer to the bills in equity filed against him by the Pittsburgh Organ and Piano Company, claiming he is still the general manager of the concern, being elected till May 2, 1905. He denies that accounts in his hands are complicated in any way except by the inexpertness of the bookkeeper and that instead of his being in debt to the concern, it owes him large sums.

A. Laura Blair filed a libel in divorce against John Lewis Blair, alleging indignities.

Executions issued: Martha G. Phillips and others vs. Christian Roth, $4,964; Pittsburgh Organ and Piano Company vs. D. Goldstein, $344 69; same vs. Hugh Blaney, $456 56; Howick-Thompson & Co. vs. Thomas J. Smith, $250; J. L. Steinberg vs. Duquesne Trunk Manufacturing Company, $101 80.

ROAD IS TURNED DOWN.

Grand Jury Refused to Approve a Petition—True Bills Returned.

Among the matters before the grand jury yesterday was a petition asking for the improvement of the Middletown road, from the McKees Rocks borough line to the Montour road at Clover station. The petition was not approved.

The true bills returned are as follows: Felony, Julius Shermer; robbery, James Baker; felonious assault and battery, John Tate; felonious assault, John Franklin; aggravated assault and battery, William Bastain, John Creiser; assault and battery, Henry Brown et al., Otto Chimp, Simon Solof; entering a building, etc., George Berry et al., Jacob Christie; larceny, P. Brosky, Cyrus Foster, G. F. Kimmelly, Charles Zoeg, William Moore; larceny by bailee, Simon Solof; embezzlement, James De Mark; misdemeanor, Sarah Bernard, William McKinley, Robert J. Ramsey, Leon Frisham, Nathan Adelman.

CAWLEY CASE UP AGAIN.

Friends of the Insane Slayer Want Him Out of Jail to Prolong Life.

A report presented by Dr. Walker of the Dixmont Insane asylum was presented to Judge Kennedy in chambers yesterday regarding Charles Cawley, who is now in the jail suffering with consumption. Cawley was found not guilty of the murder of four members of his family by reason of insanity and was placed in jail, where he has since remained.

On account of his condition his friends want him released so that his life may be prolonged. The judge will consider the report for a few days before taking any action.

The commonwealth has no objection to Cawley being turned over to his friends, and the only thing that remains in the way is the court's power in the matter.

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Christmas Excursion Rates
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On December 24, 25, 26 and 31, and January 1 and 2, agents will sell round trip tickets to all points at rate of one fare and one-third. Holiday rate from Pittsburgh to Cleveland, $5.55; Chicago, $14; Detroit, $11.10; Erie, $5.90; Buffalo, $9.20; Youngstown, $2.75.

Buying the Christmas Tree Under Seasonable Conditions

At this season the elements can in no way deter the determined shoppers working in the cause of Santa Claus. Regardless of the fall of the "beautiful" or the slush that marks the path of good intention, thoughtful mothers can now be seen, daily, in the market places closing contracts for the annual Christmas tree, the vegetation to which Kris Kringle is so partial upon which to cause his donations to sprout. The staff photographer of The Gazette caught the above snap shot yesterday afternoon, just as a "deal" was consummated.

MAYOR HAYS RETURNS FROM THE FAR WEST

Bigelow Leaves the Reins of Government in His Hands and Goes East.

Mayor Hays returned yesterday morning from a visit of several weeks in California and a few hours earlier Director Bigelow left on a Christmas shopping excursion to New York city. During the absence of the director the mayor will be in charge of municipal affairs.

The most exciting incident of Mayor Hay's trip to the far west was the holdup of his train, which he missed by 100 miles. He got off the train at Goff, a little station in Arizona where he and some friends own a ranch. After the train had gone 100 miles further it was stopped by knights of the road, and the express messenger was killed and the safe robbed. The mayor returned with some startling tales of fish catches in southern California.

The mayor said he required a little time to rest after his arduous journey, but that he would take up city affairs today and would be glad to see at his office this morning any person who has any favor to ask. He has awaiting him the 10 filtration ordinances and one other bill passed by councils. The unimportant measures passed by councils at the same time have been permitted to become law long since without consideration by the mayor.

Today the mayor will sign the filtration ordinances, hear applicants for jobs and railroad passes, receive estimates from the Carnegie library trustees and Director Harry Moore for next year's appropriations, and also receive delegations from the assessors' office and other departments asking for increases in salaries. With the absence from the city of Director Bibelow, and with these manifold duties to attend to unassisted, it promises to be an exceedingly busy day for Mayor Hays. Controller Larkin also expects to call and pay his respects to the chief executive today.

Arrivals at Pittsburgh Hotels.

Antler—S. W. Jones, Greensburg; J. R. Meyers, Punxsutawney; B. R. Sullivan, Sharon.

Seventh Avenue—F. M. Conrad, Uniontown; S. J. Rand, Hillsdale; E. C. Shaffer, Sunbury; N. M. Dover, Reynoldsville; T. Denny, Franklin.

Griswold—J. B. Johnson, Uniontown; G. W. Church, Waynesburg; J. B. Krepps, Brownsville.

Colonial—J. D. Blake, Butler; J. A. McFarland, Johnstown; S. W. Gibbon, Franklin; F. P. Head, Niles.

Monongahela House—W. Calloway, Punxsutawney; E. W. Beatty, Meyersdale; S. A. Davenport, Erie.

Lincoln—E. E. Wilson, Parkersburg; W. E. Graham, East Brady; John M. Bird, Wheeling.

Duquesne—J. D. Hartman, Hollidaysburg; E. W. Campbell, Connellsville; E. L. Knight, Akron; F. R. Shryock, Meadville; S. S. Hunne, Titusville; B. R. Kline, New Kensington.

Henry—C. W. Kelly, Erie; J. W. Rogers, Altoona; J. Kennedy, Youngstown; R. W. Davis, Avonmore; D. M. McNamara, Franklin; J. D. Jones, Greenville.

Newell's—T. W. Meyers, Johnstown.

JOHN C. HAYMAKER ILL.

Director Scandrett of Allegheny Also Confined to His Home.

Attorney John C. Haymaker is confined to his home with a severe cold and it is unlikely that he will be able to go down town for several days. With John Marron, Mr. Haymaker had been making arrangements to send some more Allegheny graft cases to the grand jury this week, but these will have to be delayed for another week as Mr. Haymaker was giving his personal attention to them.

One of the cases was against Director Thomas B. Scandrett, Supt. Campbell and Capt. James Wilson of Allegheny, who are charged with conspiracy to suppress testimony by intimidating witnesses for the commonwealth. Director Scandrett is sick too, and unable to leave his room.

One Brother Stabs Another.

WELLSVILLE, O., Dec. 19.—(Special.)—George and John Jones, brothers, employed at the Wellsville sheet mill, quarreled about a woman today and George was stabbed three times. He is reported to be dying. John, who was less seriously hurt, is in jail.

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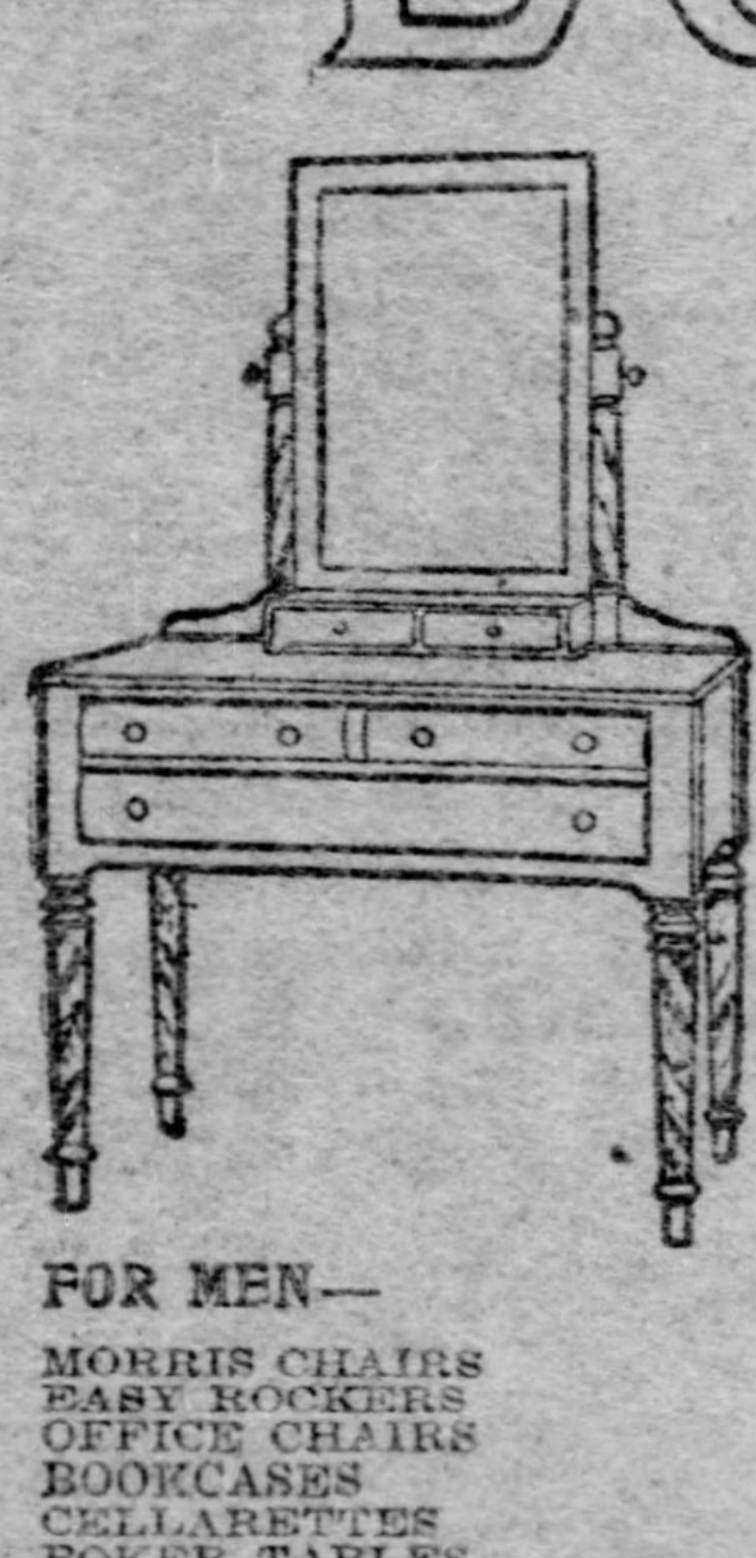

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[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The president today sent to the senate the appointment of Eli D. Robinson to be postmaster at Butler, Pa. There was a contest for this appointment, the present postmaster, Mr. Black, making an effort to be reappointed. But Robinson had the support of the local Republican organization and was recommended by Representative Huff.

George Boland of Pittsburgh, who is backed by the Republican city committee of Pittsburgh for the appointment as special guager in the internal revenue service, was here today to see Senators Penrose and Knox and secure their support. It is probable that he will be recommend by them for the place.

Representative Morgan of Ohio today introduced a bill for the erection of a postoffice at Ironton, which carries an appropriation of $100,000.

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East End.

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I will offer at public auction on Thursday, December 22, 1904, at 1 p. m. sharp, at my farm right at Shields station, Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago R. R., about 12 miles below Pittsburgh, Pa., my entire collection of High Bred Trotters, not a cull or unsound one in the lot, by such sires as

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between Daniel Ferguson and Lachlan F. Blair of Wilkinsburg, Pa., under the firm name of Ferguson & Blair, grocers, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be received by said Daniel Ferguson and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to him for payment. The business will be carried on by Daniel Ferguson. Daniel Ferguson, Lachlan F. Blair, Wilkinsburg, Pa., December 19, 1904.

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22—$1,000 gold, second mortgage Bonds of Henry S. Way, on Clinton Hotel, Philadelphia.

JOHN D. BAILEY, Auctioneer.

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PERSONAL—Cash paid for cast-off clothing. Write J. Wald, 92 Roberts st., Pittsburgh.

DIVIDENDS.

WESTINGHOUSE
Electric & Manufacturing Company.
New York, Nov. 29, 1904.

DIVIDEND—A quarterly dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF (2½) PER CENT upon the preferred, assenting and non-assenting stocks of the company, was declared payable January 10, 1905, to stockholders of record December 28, 1904. Transfer books will be closed December 28, 1904, and opened January 11, 1905.

T. W. SIEMON, Treasurer.

Office of the Excelsior Express and Standard Cab Company,
1129 Liberty Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 15, 1904.

DIVIDEND—The board of directors of the Excelsior Express and Standard Cab Company have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT, payable on and after January 1, 1905. Checks will be mailed.

JOS. FORD, Secretary and Treasurer.

First National Bank,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 14, 1904.

DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT out of the earnings of the past six months, payable on and after January 1, 1905. Checks will be mailed.

BLAINE L. STONER, Cashier.

MEETINGS.

Office of Fifth Avenue Land Company,
October 31, 1904.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The board of directors of this company has called a special meeting of its stockholders to be held at the office of the company, Room No. 1005 Peoples Savings Bank building, corner Fourth ave. and Wood st., Pittsburgh, on the 5th day of January, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of voting for or against an increase of the capital stock of said company from $37,500 to $50,000.

J. WATSON STUART, Secretary.

MEETING—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mount Washington Savings and Trust Company will be held at its office at 58 Shiloh st., in the city of Pittsburgh, county of Allegheny, and state of Pennsylvania, on the 10th day of January, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of 14 directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

W. W. HILL, Secretary.

LOST.

LOST—Between Aiken ave. and Morewood on Fifth, gun metal open-faced watch and fob. Initials S. J. B. Reward if returned to 2 Colonial place, Shadyside.

LOST—In the vicinity of Fifth ave. and Diamond st., a package of bills amounting to $101.00 and a check. Party returning same to 527 Fifth ave. will be liberally rewarded.

LOST—Dark brown water spaniel dog, with long ears and tail; padlocked collar; strayed from residence Sunday between 4 and 6 o'clock; suitable reward if returned to 6400 Fifth ave., Pittsburgh.

LOST—K. of P. charm, Thursday, on Mt. Lebanon cars or somewhere in the downtown districts. Reward; 311 Empire Bldg.

BANK STATEMENT.

NINETY-NINTH SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK,

DECEMBER 1, 1904, PITTSBURGH, PA.

LIABILITIES.	
Amount due depositors, December 1, 1904	$21,552,970 27
Amount due dividend	410,793 40
Amount due contingent fund	776,172 77
Amount due surplus	162,525 59
Total liabilities	$22,902,462 03
ASSETS.	
Loans on bonds and mortgages	$ 5,755,773 76
U. S. government bonds	2,794,000 00
Philadelphia city bonds	1,179,500 00
City of Pittsburgh bonds	1,608,225 00
City of Allegheny bonds	579,500 00
City of Scranton bonds	15,000 00
City of Reading bonds	100,000 00
County bonds	1,108,301 00
Sub-district and school bonds	25,000 00
District school bonds	217,300 00
Borough improvement bonds	456,700 00
Railroad bonds	2,273,575 00
Street railway bonds	510,000 00
Miscellaneous bonds	193,500 00
Loans on collateral	2,625,865 00
Real estate	127,228 51
Real estate bank property	222,330 53
Interest due	15,144 96
Cash in banks and on hand	2,115,718 27
Total assets	$22,902,462 03

Present number of depositors, 51,080, averaging $429 99 each.

J. W. FLENNIKEN,
Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, December 1, 1904.

The undersigned auditing committee respectfully report that they have examined the assets of the bank and find them to correspond with the foregoing report.

JNO. G. ROBINSON,
D. C. NOBLE,
GEORGE C. BURGWIN,
JOHN W. LLOYD,
Auditing Committee.

Pittsburgh, December 13, 1904.

The trustees have declared a dividend of two (2) per cent for the last six months ending November 30, 1904, payable forthwith. If not drawn, will bear interest from December 1, 1904.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on Wednesday, December 28, 1904, by E. H. Jennings, A. C. Thompson, Grant McCargo, W. Y. Humphreys and R. L. Martin, under the act of assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called Monongahela Tunnel Company, the character and object of which is the construction and maintenance of an underground passage in the city of Pittsburgh, county of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, beginning at a point on the property of the P., C., C. & St. L. R. R., a distance of 400 feet south of the south building line of West Carson st. and the west building line of Sycamore street; thence south 85 degrees 30 minutes east to Sycamore st., a distance of 408 feet, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and supplements thereto. Schoyer & Hunter, 710-712 Times building, Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Solicitors.

W. A. BLAKELEY, Attorney-at-Law, No. 522 Bakewell building, city. Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the givernor of Pennsylvania, on the 18th day of January, 1905, by W. W. Willock, B. F. Jones, Jr., H. R. Rea, D. C. Byers, J. D. Lyon, under the act of assembly entitled: "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called Sewickley Heights Horse Show association, the character and object of which is the construction and maintenance of a place or places where horses and other animals and all kinds of vehicles and harness, may be exhibited, bought and sold, and the exhibition of the same for sale or show purposes, and the renting and boarding of horses and vehicles, at Sewickley Heights, Allegheny county, Pa., and for these purposes to have and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and the supplements thereto. W. A. Blakeley, solicitor for applicants.

WILLIAM KAUFMAN, Attorney-at-Law, No. 413 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on the 27th day of December, 1904, by D. F. Hadley, J. A. Arnold, W. H. Arnold and C. V. Rice, under the act of assembly entitled: "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called Grant-Arnold Company, the character and object of which is the manufacture of window shades, curtains, upholstery hardware, and curtain poles, and other goods, wares and merchandise similar and incidental thereto, at Pittsburgh, Allegheny county, Pa., and for these purposes to have and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and the supplements thereto. William Kaufman, solicitor for applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on Monday, February 20, A. D. 1905, by William L. Bond, Jr., Eugene L. Connelly, W. H. Warwick, J. S. Stephens and John Bernhard, Jr., and others, under the act of assembly, entitled "An act for the incorporation and regulation of banks of discount and deposit," approved the 13th day of May, A. D. 1876, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of a banking corporation to be called "Bank of Pennsylvania," to be located in the city of Pittsburgh, county of Allegheny and state of Pennsylvania, to be capitalized at one hundred thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, the character and object of which is to do a general banking business of discount and deposits, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and the supplements thereto. Stone & Stone, solicitors.

FRED W. SCOTT, Attorney-at-Law, 402 Bakewell building, Pittsburgh, Pa. Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on Thursday, the fifth day of January, 1905, by M. G. Conlin, F. W. Pirl, E. P. Fardley, William J. Filcer and G. R. Wycoff, under the act of assembly entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the Duquesne Times Publishing Company, the character and object of which is transacting a general printing and publishing business and publishing and circulating a newspaper or newspapers, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly and supplements thereto. Fred W. Scott, Solicitor.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made by P. R. Frost, James L. Wehn and J. D. Frost, Jr., to the governor of Pennsylvania on the 6th day of January, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the provisions of an act of assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the several supplements thereto, for a charter for an intended corporation to be called Union Electric Company, the character and object of which is for the manufacturing, buying, selling and dealing in electrical machinery, electrical appliances and electrical supplies, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights and privileges by said act of assembly and the supplements thereto conferred. James L. Wehn, Solicitor.

W. W. WYANT, Attorney-at-Law, No. 413 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. State of Pennsylvania, county of Allegheny, ss. In the court of common pleas No. 1, No. 3 September term, 1904. Sarah E. Johnson, by her next friend, etc., vs. Winfield S. Johnson. Libel in divorce a vinculo matrimonii. To Winfield S. Johnson, respondent: The subpoena and alias subpoena in the above case having been returned non est inventus, you are hereby notified and required to appear in said court of common pleas No. 1, on the first Monday of March, A. D. 1905, to answer the petition and libel filed in said case. James W. Dickson, Sheriff.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the Cosmopolitan National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held at its office, Wood and Liberty sts., in the city of Pittsburgh, county of Allegheny, and state of Pennsylvania, on the 30th day of December, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of voting for or against an increase of the capital stock of said bank from two hundred thousand ($200,000) dollars to five hundred thousand ($500,000) dollars.

D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

IN the court of common pleas No. 1, of Allegheny county. The commonwealth of Pennsylvania ex rel. Martha J. Wickline, vs. Joseph Wickline. No. 21, June term, 1879. Notice is hereby given that the final account of Jas. A. White, committee of the estate of Jos. Wickline, a lunatic, has been filed by Margaret White, his executrix, in the prothonotary's office at the above number and term, and that the said account will be allowed by the court on Saturday, December 24, 1904, at 9:30 a. m., unless exceptions be filed thereto. Jas. T. Buchanan, attorney for accountant.

DONALDSON BROS., Attorneys-at-Law, 401 Grant st., Pittsburgh, Pa. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration c. t. a. on the estate of James Stewart Oliver, deceased, late of Allegheny county, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay. Elizabeth Cox, administratrix, c. t. a., Imperial, Pa.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of John H. Stevenson, deceased, late of Allegheny City, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay. Henry W. Stevenson, administrator, 352 Fifth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

ELECTIONS.

The Peoples National Bank of Pittsburgh,
United States Depository.
Pittsburgh, December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors will be held at the bank, 409 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 12:30 p. m.

W. DWIGHT BELL,
Assistant Cashier and Secretary.

The Industrial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, 333 Fourth ave., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

C. M. GERWIG, Cashier.

Western Savings & Deposit Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 531 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

CHARLES E. SCHUETZ, Cashier.

ELECTIONS.

The First National Bank,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Verona will be held at the banking house, Railroad avenue, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock. An election will be held for the purpose of voting for or against amending section three of the articles of association. The amended article to read "The board of directors shall consist of not less than five or more than nine stockholders," instead of "The board of directors shall consist of nine stockholders." The board of directors for the ensuing year will be elected.

BLAINE L. STONER, Cashier.

Fort Pitt National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its offices, No. 235 Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year. Also to vote upon a proposed amendment to Article 8 of the Articles of the Association, so that the same shall provide that "the board of directors of this bank shall not be less than nine members nor more than fifteen members.

CHAS. S. LINDSAY, Cashier.

Homewood Peoples Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held in the banking rooms, 800 Homewood ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., on Monday, January 9, 1905, between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may be presented.

H. F. LINNENBRINK, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner Penn avenue and Ninth street, Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m., for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEORGE S. MACRUM,
Cashier.

German Savings & Deposit Bank,
Carson and South Fourteenth sts.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of the German Savings & Deposit Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Carson and South Fourteenth sts., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 1 and 3 p. m.

J. F. ERNY, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve (12) directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butler sts., on Wednesday, January 11, 1905, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.

JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

Duquesne National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of the Duquesne National bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 409 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

First National Bank of Birmingham,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election of seven directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 1201 Carson st., Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh,
(United States Depository.)
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30 p. m., for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year.

JAMES M. YOUNG, Cashier.

The Lincoln National Bank,
No. 533 Smithfield st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for thirteen directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 533 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

Union National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Fourth ave. and Market st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m.

C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

German National Bank of Allegheny,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 709 and 711 Ohio st., East, Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

GEORGE G. SCHMIDT, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors will be held at the bank, corner of Wood and Sixth, on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 12:30 p. m.

W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

The Federal National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner of Fifth ave. and Smithfield st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.

H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Farmers Deposit National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders for the election of directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking room, Fifth ave. and Wood st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11:30 a. m. and 12:30 p. m.

J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

Pennsylvania National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Butler st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.

R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Cosmopolitan National Bank of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m., for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year.

D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

Third National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 524 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

OGDEN RUSSELL, Cashier.

First National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Wood st., Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.

F. H. SKELDING, Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street, on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 p. m.

JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Columbia National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

NOTICE—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

WM. LOWRIE, Cashier.

Allegheny National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 239 Fifth avenue, on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m.

W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

First National Bank, Sewickley, Pa.
December 12, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, Sewickley, Pa., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 7 p. m. and 8 p. m.

E. P. COFFIN, Cashier.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Forty-first and Butler sts.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 9, 1904.

An election for directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

GEO. SEEBICK, Cashier.

Exchange National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 8, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of "The Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh" will be held at the banking house, No. 240 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.

A. LONG, Cashier.

The Diamond National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 10, 1904.

AN ELECTION of 14 directors for this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, Liberty ave. and Cecil way on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 m and 1 p. m.

D. C. WILLS, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 9, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, No. 331 Fourth ave., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.

H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

The First National Bank,
Sewickley, Pa., Dec. 10, 1904.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner Beaver and Broad sts., on Tuesday, January 10, 1905, between the hours of 7 and 7:30 p. m.

E. P. COFFIN, Cashier.

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$100 for 1 month,	50c;	for 6 mos.,	$ 3.00
$150 for 1 month,	75c;	for 6 mos.,	$ 4.50
$200 for 1 month,	$1.00;	for 6 mos.,	$ 6.00
$250 for 1 month,	$1.25;	for 6 mos.,	$ 7.50
$300 for 1 month,	$1.50;	for 6 mos.,	$ 9.00
$350 for 1 month,	$1.75;	for 6 mos.,	$10.50
$400 for 1 month,	$2.00;	for 6 mos.,	$12.00
$450 for 1 month,	$2.25;	for 6 mos.,	$13.50
$500 for 1 month,	$2.50;	for 6 mos.,	$15.00

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STOCK MARKET IS DULL WITHIN A NARROW RANGE

Outside Commission Business Was Light and Professional Traders Were Not Active—Local Stocks Averaged Lower.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The New York stock market was dull and narrow yesterday, the total sales slightly exceeding 600,000 shares, and the bulk of the business was handled during the first two hours. The range of fluctuations was narrow, some prominent stocks like Union Pacific moving within less than ¾ per cent. Wall street is beginning to reflect the quietude of the holiday season, and for the remainder of the week, in the absence of any more broadside advertisements, the market is likely to become less active.

London quotations averaged lower, but Wall street ignored the fact and opening prices on this side were higher. United States Steel securities, which were under pressure at the close of the market on Saturday, were among the strongest yesterday. The common advanced to 30 and the preferred to 93⅛, the latter the highest for a week, and the bonds rallied to 92½. Late in the afternoon a moderate amount of selling by professional traders caused a reaction, and the common closed ⅛ higher and the preferred ½ higher for the day. The bonds closed ⅜ lower. Colorado Fuel and Iron, which had been quite strong during the early part of the session, closed ⅜ lower than Saturday, while Tennessee Coal and Iron closed ¼ higher. It was reported that at a meeting of the steel billet pool a resolution was adopted to raise the price of billets $2 a ton to $23 on January 1 next. It is expected that an advance in structural material will also take place at the same date. Unofficial reports are to the effect that the Steel Corporation is booking an immense amount of business, and the quarterly statement next month is expected to show a large increase in orders on hand.

Railroad stocks were strong during the early part of the day, but as stated, fluctuations were narrow. Outside commission business was light, and there was not enough in the news of the day to stimulate activity on the part of professional traders. The story of harmonious relations being restored between Pennsylvania-Gould interests was repeated with some additions, but the stocks of the respective groups were not affected thereby. Pennsylvania, however, was firm, advancing to 137¾ and closing at a net gain of ¼ per cent. Missouri Pacific closed ⅜ per cent higher for the day. The report of the road for October showed an increase in net earnings of $560,495. Louisville & Nashville reported an increase in gross earnings for the second week in December of $6,235, and the stock closed ⅜ higher for the day. Canadian Pacific was not affected by the increase of $102,000 in gross earnings for the second week in December.

Among the grangers St. Paul was the only stock to close higher than on Saturday. In the curb market Northern Securities was strong, and at one time a rumor was current that Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (one of the underlying properties in the Northern Securities combination) had increased its dividend to 12 per cent, but this rumor was subsequently denied. Union Pacific closed a fraction higher and Southern Pacific a fraction lower. Atchison did not respond to the bullish analysis of its earning power when the new bonds are issued and closed lower for the day.

Gold bars to the amount of $1,060,000 was taken from the assay office for export, and an international banking house engaged all the gold bars that can be turned out this week. In addition about $1,000,000 gold coin was taken for export to South America. Still the money market remained easy and unchanged, and there is every indication that barring a slight flurry over the end of the year, rates will continue low in January.

On the Pittsburgh stock exchange trading was light and prices averaged lower. There were some exceptions, among them Pittsburgh Oil and Gas, which closed a dollar higher at 75. Crucible Steel was also firm, the common closing at 9⅜ and the preferred at 49⅝. United States Steel common and preferred each closed ¼ lower for the day. Westinghouse Electric closed unchanged at 92, sales and offered. Pittsburgh Coal declined to 22⅞ and closed offered at 23. The preferred was inactive and closed at 81½ bid. River Coal preferred rallied to 29⅛. The rest of the industrial list was extremely dull and closed without feature. There was more doing in the bank and trust group than for several days, but except for a decline of a half point in Exchange National, prices were steady and unchanged. Pittsburgh-Buffalo 5s sold at 103¼, an advance of 1¼ per cent.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday were as follows:

10:00 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

100	Tonopah Ext.	3.18	10	F. Proof pfd.	33½
300	do	3.18	50	Crucible com.	9⅜
100	do	3.18	100	do	9⅜
10	do	3.19	100	U. S. Stl. pfd.	93
10	Brewing pfd.	46½	50	do	92⅞
30	do	46½	10	Crucible prd.	49⅝
100	Sewer Pipe	27½	5	do	49⅝
5	P. Coal pfd.	82	50	P. Coal com.	22⅞
100	U.S. Stl. com.	29¼	30	do	22⅞
33	H.-W. Ref. com.	9¼	17	Exch. N. B.	87½

10:30 A. M. to 11:00 A. M.

50	U. S. Stl. pfd.	92⅞	50	P. Coal pfd.	82
6	do	92	50	do	82
100	U.S. Stl. com.	29⅝	100	Tonopah Ext.	3.18
100	Con. Ice com.	8	3	Union Trust	2500
50	do	8	12	Second N. B.	750
100	Sewer Pipe	27½	30	M. L. & H.	39¼
25	Brewing com.	26⅝	1	do	39⅝
50	P. Coal pfd.	82	4	do	39¼

11:00 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

100	U. S. Stl. pfd.	92⅝	100	Tonopah Ext.	3.11
50	F. Proof pfd.	33½	50	Ohio Fuel	41
25	M. L. & H.	39½	10	do	41
50	Electric 2nds.	92	15	Sewer Pipe	27⅝
10	do	92	20	P. Coal com.	23
20	Brewing com.	26¼	100	do	23
10	P. Coal pfd.	82	30	do	23¼
50	P. Oil & Gas.	75	20	do	23¼
10	do	75	50	do	23¼
5	do	75	4	Exch. N. B.	87½
40	do	75	50	G.-Am. S. & T.	161
3	Crucible pfd.	49	25	do	161
5	Riv. Coal pfd.	28¾	10	Home Trust	124½
5	do	28⅞	4	Pig Iron w. A—Dec.	18.00
20	do	29⅛			

12:30 P. M. to 2:00 P. M.

10	P. Oil & Gas.	75	20	Electric 2nds.	92⅛
20	do	75	10	do	92
20	Cruciblepf d.	49½	15	M. L. & H.	39½
100	U. S. Stl. pfd.	92¾	15	do	39½
50	Electric 2nds.	92	10	Crucible com.	9¼
50	do	92	25	Sewer Pipe	27⅜
50	do	92	25	do	27⅜
50	do	92¼			

2:00 P. M. to 2:30 P. M.

5	Electric 2nds.	92	40	P. Oil & Gas.	75
5	Home Trust	124½	10	U. S. Stl. com.	29¾
$2000	Pgh.-Buf. 5s.	103¼	50	Crucible pfd.	49⅝
4	Sewer Pipe	26½	30	do	49⅝
20	Brewing com.	26¼	10	do	49⅝
50	do	26¼	30	P. Coal com.	23
35	do	26¼	50	do	23
10	U. S. Stl. pfd.	92½	50	Con. Ice com.	7¾
5	F. Proof pfd.	33½	50	do	7¾
5	Ohio Fuel	41			

2:30 P. M. to 3:00 P. M.

5	P. Coal pfd.	82	500	Tonopah Ext.	3.17
1	do	82	50	Con. Ice com.	7½
5	do	81½	25	do	7½
50	P. Coal com.	23	10	Crucible com.	9⅜
150	Tonopah Ext.	3.17	2	Crucible pfd.	49½
100	do	3.17	50	do	49⅝
150	do	3.17	40	do	49¾
200	do	3.17	50	do	49⅜
50	do	3.17			

Summary.

Sales.	High.	Low.	Last Sales.	Ch'ge.
150 Brewing	26⅝	26¼	26¼	—¼
40 Do preferred	46½	46½	46½	0
325 Con. Ice com.	8	7½	7½	—½
170 Crucible Steel	9⅜	9¼	9⅜	+⅛
273 Do preferred	*49½	*49	49⅜	+⅛
65 F. Proof pfd.	33½	33½	33½	+¼
33 H.-W. Ref. com.	9¼	9¼	9¼	0
90 M. L. & H.	*39⅝	*39¼	39½	0
65 Ohio Fuel	41	41	41	0
330 Pittsburgh Coal	23¼	22⅞	23	—⅛
176 Do preferred	82	*81½	*81½	—½
175 P. Oil & Gas	75	75	75	+1
30 Riv. Coal pfd.	29⅛	*28¾	29⅛	+1⅛
269 Sewer Pipe	27½	*26½	*26½	—1
1860 Tonopah Ext.	3.19	3.17	3.17	—.01
210 U. S. Steel	29¾	29½	29¾	—¼
416 Do preferred	93	*92	92½	—¼
205 W. Elec. 2nds.	92⅛	92	92	0
BANK STOCKS.				
21 Exchange N. B.	87½	87½	87½	—½
75 G.-Am. S. & T.	161	161	161	0
15 Home Trust	124½	124½	124½	0
12 Second N. B.	750	750	750	0
3 Union Trust	2500	2500	2500	0
BONDS.				
$2000 Pgh.-Buf. 4s.	103¼	103¼	103¼	+1¼
PIG IRON W'TS.				
4 A—Dec. delivery	18.00	18.00	18.00	....

*Less than 10 shares.

Closing Bids and Offers.

BANK STOCKS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
Allegheny Nat. Bank	50	....	140
Arsenal Bank	50	145	....
Diamond National	100	411	....
Duquesne National	100	....	290
Federal National	100	190	....
Fourth National	100	130	160
Fifth Avenue Bank	50	76½	....
German National, Pittsburgh	100	....	250
Keystone	100	....	365
Lincoln National	100	240	....
Marine National	100	....	160
Metropolitan National	100	....	190
Nat. Bank of West. Pa.	100	....	220
Second National, Pittsburgh	100	....	775
Traders & Mechanics	50	70	....
Fort Pitt	100	225	245
Equitable Trust	100	170	175
Real Estate Trust	100	....	260
Safe Deposit & Trust	100	430	447
Commonwealth Trust	100	200	210
Iron City Trust	100	136	140
Second National, Allegheny	100	....	425
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Teutonia Insurance		....	100
German Insurance	50	74	....
Manufacturers Light & Heat	50	39⅜	39⅝
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	41	41½
Pittsburgh Oil & Gas	100	74¾	75
Citizens Traction	50	....	70
Tonopah Extension	1	....	3.17
Luster Mining	10	11¼	12
Westinghouse Electric	50	....	92
Monongahela Incline Plane	50	62	....
Consolidated Ice	50	7⅜	7⅝
Do preferred	50	37	....
Crucible Steel	100	9¼	9⅜
Do preferred	100	49¼	49½
Harbison-Walker Co.	100	9	....
Do preferred	100	62	....
Monon. River Coal preferred	50	28½	29
Monongahela Water	25	40	46
National Fire Proofing	50	11	11¼
Do preferred	50	33¼	33½
Philadelphia Co.	50	41¼	....
Pittsburgh Brewing	50	26⅛	26½
Do preferred	50	46¾	46½
Pittsburgh Coal	100	22⅞	23
Do preferred	100	81½	82
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	100	128½	130
Pittsburgh Stove & Range	50	8	10
Union Switch & Signal	50	83⅛	....
United States Glass	100	47½	....
United States Steel	100	....	29⅝
Do preferred	100	92½	....
Westinghouse Airbrake	50	146	....
American Sewer Pipe	100	27⅜	27½
BONDS.			
Pgh., McK. & Conn. 1st 5s	....	100⅛	....
Monongahela L. & P. 5s	....	....	100
Pittsburgh Brewing 6s	....	114½	115
Pittsburgh-Buffalo 5s	....	103	....
American Sewer Pipe 6s	....	99	....
Monongahela Street Ry. 5s	....	....	115
Pittsburgh Warehouse 5s	....	100	....
Harbison-Walker 5s	....	102	....

PIG IRON WARRANTS.

The following quotations were made on warrants of the American Pig Iron Storage Warrant Company:

Class.	Bid.	Ask.
A—February delivery	$18.00	$18.30
B—February delivery	16.90	17.35
D—February delivery	16.75	....
A—December delivery	18.05	18.30
A—January delivery	18.05	....
D—December delivery	16.85	....
D—January delivery	16.95	....

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Dullest day of the month in the stock market and prices averaged slightly lower.

Pittsburgh Oil and Gas advanced a dollar a share to 75.

Crucible Steel common closed at 9⅜ and the preferred at 49⅝.

Pittsburgh Coal common closed offered at 23 and the preferred at 82.

Westinghouse Electric sold at 92 and closed offered at that price.

Bank and trust stocks a little more active, but prices were unchanged.

IN WALL STREET.

Stock exchange transactions amounted to only 607,900 shares stock and $2,640,000 bonds.

Amalgamated Copper declined to 66½, rallied to 68⅜ and closed at 67.

United States Steel preferred was strong, advancing to 93⅛, but closed at 92¼.

The Pennsylvania group firm and all closed higher, except Baltimore & Ohio.

St. Paul was the strongest of the grangers and closed higher.

About $2,000,000 gold taken for export, but money rates were easy.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

In the opinion of most traders the stock market of 1904 has recorded the high and low prices of the year, and for the few days remaining it will be a quiet holiday affair. The opinion is equally general that the first quarter of 1905 will witness a resumption of activity on a larger scale than ever and that new high prices will be recorded. This opinion is based upon the theory that while some of the large speculative pools have been forced to liquidate or at least to lighten their loads on the recent sharp reaction, the banking interests have not yet been able to distribute the stocks accumulated during the summer and fall. However, it was not for want of opportunity that they have not unloaded, if such is their present position. In the two months from October 14 to December 14, there were 74,388,335 shares of stock dealt in, fully two-fifths of the year's trading, while $379,461,000 of bonds changed hands during the same period, also fully two-fifths of the full year's business.

Members of the Pittsburgh stock exchange will today nominate officers to be voted upon January 3 to serve for the ensuing year. So far as can be judged from surface indications, this well be the quietest election held for years. Charles A. Painter, president, H. A. Marlin, vice president, and J. B. Barbour, Jr., treasurer, are candidates for re-election, and no one has been prominently mentioned in opposition. The election board will be composed of Harry Willits, judge; Isaac Hare and John A. Anderson, tellers.

Monongahela Light and Power 5s have recently sold at par and are still offered at that price. They are the only underlying bond of the Philadelphia Company system that is not quoted at a premium. In 1902 they sold at 111. The cause of the weakness is said to be the application that has been made for charters for independent light and power companies to operate in the district now served by the Monongahela company.

Improvement in the local bond market is evidenced by the fact that the Union Trust Company has advanced its selling price to brokers to 102 and interest for Pittsburgh Coal bonds. The subscription price to the general public last summer was par and accrued interest.

The Western Savings and Deposit bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent. This is an increase in the annual rate from 8 to 10 per cent.

For small lots of German American Savings and Trust 161 was bid.

Within the past few days Robinson Bros. have bought 18 shares Union Trust at the uniform price of $2,500 a share. The company pays 60 per cent per annum on par, $100, and the yield at the market price is only 2.4 per cent.

The meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Securities Company has again been postponed until December 27.

The United States Leather plan provides for the formation of a new company, to acquire not less than a majority of the stock of the present company and to take over its assets. The new company is to be authorized to issue 20-year 5 per cent bonds to the amount of $45,000,000, 7 per cent cumulative preferred stock to the amount of $40,000,000 and $40,000,000 in common stock. It is proposed that each share of preferred stock of the present company shall be exchanged for one $50 bond, one $50 share of preferred stock and one $23 50 share of the common stock of the new company. The holders of the common stock are to receive for each 10 shares of such stock three shares of the common stock of the new company. Under the proposed plan $6,200,000 in common stock is to be set aside for new interests and expenses. There will be reserved to provide additional properties and to provide for the retirement of outstanding debentures of the present company, $13,858,850 in bonds, $8,858,850 in preferred stock and $298,969 50 in common stock.

The subscriptions received for the United States of Mexico 4 per cent gold bonds from Europe and New York were so large that the lists were closed at 12 o'clock in London and 1 o'clock in New York.

Wall street was yesterday predicting that Steel preferred will sell at par before January 1.

"This is the biggest question before the country; yes, before the world, and something must be done." This was the remark credited to J. P. Morgan during a recent visit in Washington to a friend with whom he was discussing the president's recommendation regarding government control of freight rates.

The movement in Amalgamated Copper yesterday was not violent, but the quick response of the rest of the market to its slight demonstrations was a testimonial to the state of terrorism in which the element is held by the threat of this stock's action. The early advance which was interrupted by the intimidating effect of the break in Amalgamated Copper was not resumed with any force of confidence afterwards, although the copper stock itself steadied and became quiet without further disturbing manifestations.

The sale of a 100-share lot of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at the record price of 225 was an incident of the day in connection with reports of an extra dividend distribution. This stock has only appeared on the tape at long intervals and for sales of small odd lots since the joint purchase by Northern Pacific and Great Northern.

The conservative tone developed in the trading may be traced to money market considerations. It is felt that the present assurance of quiet in the market has only been secured by the withdrawal of commitments to the stock market, which was effected by the recent shaking out of weak holdings. The time is not considered propitious for immediately tying up these resources again. The yearly requirements remain to be met and the current of gold is still outward. Demand was strong for exchange for Wednesday's steamer, that being the last ship available to meet obligations in London before January 1. It is not forgotten, moreover, that the withdrawal of $10,000,000 of government deposits is to be met by January 15.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market is unchanged at 5@6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Yesterday	$6,810,377 62	$1,522,599 50
Last week	6,740,592 74	1,277,302 97
Last year	5,939,257 50	993,164 54

Foreign Money Markets.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Money was in good inquiry in the market today in consequence of the call for $7,500,000 of the last Japanese loan now falling due. Discounts were harder.

Prices on the stock exchange were fairly firm and trading was inactive. It is not anticipated that there will be much business transacted for a week, apart from the closing up of engagements, in view of the holidays. Consols closed easy.

Americans opened dull and rather below parity. The operations were unimportant. Later prices rallied slightly and the market closed easier. Imperial Japanese government 6s of 1904 were quoted at 94.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—Prices on the Boerse today unchanged. Consols for money, 88 1-16; consols for account, 88 3-16; bar silver firm, 28¼d an ounce; money, 2½@3 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2⅞@2 15-16 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 2 15-16@3 per cent.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Prices on the bourse today had an upward tendency. Internationals, Russians excepted, advanced. French rentes were buoyant in reports that the government intended to postpone the introduction of the proposed income tax bill. Russian Imperial 4s were quoted at 91.90 and Russian bonds of 1904 at 501.00. Three per cent rentes, 97 francs 62½ centimes for the account. Exchange on London, 25 francs 15 centimes for checks.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 36¾ pfgs. for checks.

Banks and the Treasury.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—In redemption of checks drawn by depositors of gold at the Seattle assay office, today's official records show that the sub-treasury paid out yesterday $1,546. Total paid since Friday, $3,620. Total payment by government to New York banks for the day, $4,581,000. Payment by banks to government, $3,875,000. Balance on the day's transactions, $706,000 paid by government to banks. Total net payment by government to banks since Friday, $726,000, against $1,748,000 paid by banks to government to banks to government for the corresponding period a week ago, and $2,250,000 paid by government to banks a year ago.

COMPLETE RECORD OF THE NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings Bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges, and Chicago board of trade:

ACTIVE LIST.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High.	Low.	Close Bid.
5800	A., T. & S. F.	85	85½	84⅜	84½
2200	Do preferred	102¾	103¼	102¾	103
1000	Am. Cotton Oil	35¾	36¼	35⅝	35½
	Do preferred	....	....	....	94
6000	Am. Sugar Ref.	141	141⅝	140½	140⅜
1400	Am. Locomotive	33½	33½	33	33⅛
	Do preferred	....	....	....	102½
3000	Am. Car F'dry	33	33½	32⅞	32¼
200	Do preferred	92¼	92¼	92¼	92
52800	Amal. Copper	67⅝	68⅜	66½	67
	Anaconda Copper	....	....	....	100
6000	A. Smelt & Ref.	80	80½	79½	79½
200	Do preferred	113½	113½	113½	113
4400	American Ice	7⅜	7⅜	6	6¼
1200	Do preferred	39	39	38¼	38
13000	Baltimore & Ohio	100¼	100¾	100⅛	100
	Do preferred	....	....	....	95½
10700	Brooklyn R. T.	59⅝	61¼	59¾	60⅜
2700	Canadian Pacific	130½	130⅞	130	130⅛
7000	Chi. Gt. West	22¼	22½	22⅛	22⅜
2200	Consolidated Gas	201½	202	201	201¼
3500	Ches. & Ohio	48¼	48¾	48⅛	48
3500	Chicago & Alton	42½	44¼	42½	43
	Do preferred	....	....	....	78
100	Chicago & N'w.	206½	206½	206½	206
9600	Col. Fuel & Iron	45	46⅝	45	46⅛
1000	Corn Product	21⅝	21⅝	21¼	21¼
100	Do preferred	....	....	....	78½
2000	Col. Southern	22½	23⅜	22½	23
100	Do 1st pfd.	58½	58½	58½	57½
300	Do 2d pfd.	35⅝	35¾	35⅝	35
300	Del. & Hudson	186	186	185¾	185⅜
10500	Erie	37¼	37¾	36⅝	37
1600	Do 1st pfd.	74⅞	75	74½	74½
1100	Do 2d pfd.	55⅞	56	55¼	55¼
200	General Electric	186¾	186¾	186¾	185½
100	Hocking Valley	91	91	91	90⅜
200	Do preferred	92½	92¾	92½	92
2900	Illinois Central	154¾	155¼	154¼	154¼
	Iowa Central	....	....	....	28½
	Do preferred	....	....	....	55½
6500	Internat. Paper	24¾	25¼	24½	25
200	Do preferred	77½	77½	77½	77½
	L. E. & W.	41	41	40½	40
	Do preferred	....	....	....	98
3800	Louis. & Nash.	140¼	141	140¼	140½
200	Manhattan	163½	163⅞	163½	163½
9200	Missouri Pacific	108⅛	108⅜	108⅛	108⅛
1300	M., K. & T.	31	31	30⅝	30⅝
400	Do preferred	63⅝	63⅝	62¾	63¼
23700	Metropolitan	121	123¼	121	122⅜
5000	Do securities	78¼	80½	78¼	79
2300	Mexican Central	21⅛	21⅝	21	21⅛
	National Lead	23	23½	23	23
	Do preferred	98	98	98	97¾
	National Biscuit	56⅞	57	56⅞	57
	N. Y. Airbrake	160⅝	162½	160⅝	162
3000	N. Y. Central	140	140⅝	140	140¼
110	N. Y., O. & W.	44	44	43¼	43½
13100	Norfolk & West.	78¼	79¼	78¼	78⅝
	Do preferred	....	....	....	92
200	North Amer. Co.	101⅛	101⅛	101⅛	100
2700	Peoples Gas	106⅝	107¼	106⅝	106⅝
400	Pacific Mail	43½	44	43	41½
	Pressed Steel Car	....	....	....	38½
	Do preferred	....	....	....	89¾
51200	Penna. R. R.	136⅞	137¾	136⅜	137
	P., C., C. & S. L. pfd.	106	106	106	104
	Railway Springs	32¼	32¼	31¾	31
	Do preferred	91½	91½	91½	90
17200	Reading	78⅜	79	78⅛	78⅜
200	Do 1st pfd.	90	90	90	89½
11200	Rock Island	32⅜	33½	32⅜	32⅞
700	Do preferred	84	84¼	83¼	83
1300	Republic Iron	16⅜	16⅜	16⅛	16¼
600	Do preferred	68¼	68¼	68	67½
6100	Southern Pacific	62⅜	63	62⅜	62¼
4000	Southern Railway	34⅝	35	34⅝	34⅝
100	Do preferred	....	....	....	96¼
9000	St. Paul	169¾	170⅝	169¾	169⅝
	Do preferred	....	....	....	183
	St. L. & S. W.	....	....	....	24½
300	Do preferred	57¾	57¾	57⅜	57
7400	Tenn. Coal & Iron	70⅞	72	70⅞	71¼
2100	Texas & Pacific	34⅛	34⅛	34½	34
	T., St. L. & W.	....	....	....	35¼
1000	Do preferred	54	54	54	53⅜
73400	U. S. Steel	29⅝	30	29⅝	29⅝
70100	Do preferred	92	93⅛	92	92¼
	Do 2d 5% bonds	92¼	92½	92	92¼
25700	Union Pacific	110⅛	110¾	110⅛	110⅜
	Do preferred	....	....	....	95¼
900	U. S. Rubber	32½	32¾	32¼	32¼
700	Do preferred	94	94¼	93¾	93¼
33400	U. S. Leather	14	14¼	13¾	13¾
10700	Do preferred	101	101¾	101	101⅛
	U. S. C. I. Pipe	19	19	19	18¾
	Do preferred	79⅝	81⅝	79⅝	80
400	U. S. Realty	81	81	80	80
700	Wabash	22¼	22¼	21¾	22
700	Do preferred	43⅜	43⅜	43	43
300	W. U. Telegraph	93⅛	94	93⅞	93¾
300	W. & L. E.	18½	18¼	18⅜	18½
100	Wis. Central pfd.	....	....	....	....
1400	W. Elec. 2d pfd.	184	184½	183	183½
	Fed. Mining pfd.	80	80	79	79
	Va. Car.—Chem.	41	42	41	41½
	Do preferred	113	113	113	112
	Amer. Hide & L.	10⅝	11	10½	10½
	Do preferred	45	45	44½	44
	INACTIVE LIST.				
100	Am. Steel F'dries	....	13¾	13¾	13⅝
200	Do preferred	....	51½	51½	51¼
100	Am. Grass & T.	....	11⅜	11⅜	11⅜
2600	Am. Hide & L.	....	11	10½	10¼
200	Do preferred	....	45	44⅞	44½

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High	Low.	Close Bid.
500	American Malt	....	7⅝	7⅜	7⅜
800	Do preferred	....	27	26⅝	26⅞
100	Am. Snuff pfd.	....	99½	99½	96
1100	A. Tob. pfd. ctfs.	....	94½	93¾	93⅞
1100	Chi. Un. Trac.	....	12	11½	11⅞
500	Do preferred	....	43	41½	42⅛
300	Chi. Ter. Trac.	....	12½	12⅛	12¼
4000	Do preferred	....	22	21½	21⅞
1000	Corn Product	....	21⅝	21	21
100	Do preferred	....	79	79	79
1000	D. & R. G. pfd.	....	88¼	88⅛	88
400	Detroit So. Ry.	....	7¼	7¼	7
2200	Do preferred	....	32	31½	31½
800	D. S. S. & A.	....	13¾	13½	13¼
4100	Do preferred	....	25¼	25	25¼
	E. & T. H.	....	66	66	65⅝
300	Kan. City & So.	....	29¼	29	29
800	Do preferred	....	53⅜	53	52¼
300	M. St. L. & S.S.M.	....	89⅛	89	89
5600	Met. Subs.	....	80⅛	78¾	79
1300	M., K. & T. com.	....	31	31	30⅝
600	N. Y. Airbrake	....	162½	160	162
400	Pacific Coast Co.	....	76	76	75⅝
200	Rubber Goods	....	27	27	26⅝
300	Sloss	....	61	61	60⅝
200	Twin City	....	106⅛	106⅛	105⅝
300	U. S. C. I. Pipe	....	19	19	19
2500	Do preferred	....	81⅝	79⅝	80⅛
400	Va. Car.—Chem.	....	42	41	41½
200	Do preferred	....	113	113	112½
100	West. Elec. 1st	....	195	195	195
1500	Do 2d pfd.	....	184½	183	184

NEW YORK CLOSING BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	104¼	Man. con. gold 4s.	105½
Do coupon	104⅛	Mexican Cen. 4s.	77¼
U. S. 3s reg.	104¼	*Do 1st inc.	23
Do coupon	104½	†M. & St. L. 4s.	97½
U. S. new 4s, reg.	130⅝	M. K. & T. 4s.	100¼
Do coupon	131	*Do 2nds	85¼
U. S. old 4s, reg.	105⅜	Nat. Mexico c. 4s.	81⅝
Do coupon	106⅜	N. Y. C. gen. 3½s.	101½
Atchison gen. 4s.	102⅞	*N. J. C. gen. 5s.	136
Do adjt. 4s.	94½	North. Pacific 4s.	105¼
Atl. Coast L. 4s.	100	Do 3s	75¼
Balt. & Ohio 4s.	103⅜	N. & W. con. 4s.	101
Do 3½s	96⅛	Ore. S. L. 4s & P.	104
Cen. Georgia 5s.	111	Penna. conv. 3½s.	102½
Do 1st inc.	92½	Reading gen. 4s.	102⅛
Ches. & Ohio 4½s.	107¼	*St. L. & I. M. c. 5s.	116¼
C. & Alton 3½s.	82	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s.	89⅜
C. B. & Q. n. 4s.	100½	St. L. S'w 1sts.	97⅜
*C. M. & St. P. g. 4s.	110⅜	Seab'd Air L. 4s.	84
*C. & N'w c. 7s.	129	South. Pacific 4s.	93⅛
C. R. I. & P. 4s.	80⅜	Southern Ry. 5s.	120
Do col. 5s.	94	*Tex. & Pac. 1sts.	119¼
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s.	101¼	†T. St. L. & W. 4s.	83
Chicago Term. 4s.	85⅛	Union Pacific 4s.	106¼
Cons. Tobacco 4s.	76	Do conv. 4s.	110⅛
Col. & South. 4s.	90⅝	U. S. Steel 2nd 5s.	92½
D. & R. G. 4s.	102¼	Wabash sts	117¾
Erie prior lien 4s.	101⅜	Do Deb. B.	67½
Do gen. 4s.	91⅞	W. & L. E. 4s.	93¼
*Ft. W. & D. C. 1st.	107¼	Wisconsin Cen. 4s.	93⅛
Hock. Val. 4½s.	111¼	Col. Fuel 5s ctfs.	85½
L. & N. unif. 4s.	103½		

*Bid. †Offered.

Total sales (par value), $2,640,000.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

Atchison	85⅝	American Sugar	140⅝
Do preferred	103⅛	Do preferred	138
Boston & Albany	252	Am. Tel. & Tel.	146
*Boston & Maine	173	American Woolen	21
Boston Elevated	153	Do preferred	92¼
Fitchburg pfd.	139¾	Dom. Iron & Stl.	18
Mexican Central	21¼	Mass. Gas	37⅝
N. Y. N. H. & H.	197⅝	United Fruit	106
Pere Marquette	75	United Shoe Mach.	58
Union Pacific	110	Do preferred	31
Am. Arge. Chem.	20	U. S. Steel	29⅝
Do preferred	86	Do preferred	92¼
Am. Pneu. Tube.	5½		

*Asked.

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproul & Co.)

Amer. Tin Can	12⅛	Inter. Salt 5s.	62
Do preferred	61⅝	North. Securities	128½
Bay State Gas	⅝	Otis Elevator	45
Electric Vehicle	13	Do preferred	99½
Do preferred	20	Seab'd Air Line	16½
Greene Con. Cop.	25¼	Do preferred	46
Interborough	162½	Standard Oil	639
Int. Mer. Mar.	12½	Tennessee Copper	38
Do preferred	28½	Tonopah	9
International Salt	20		

Philadelphia Closing Bids.

Amer. Railways	48	Penna. Steel	45
Cambria Steel	25⅜	Do preferred	97
Cambria Iron	47	Phila. Co.	41¼
Cons. Trac. N. J.	80	Do preferred	47
Cons. Lake Sup'r.	8⅝	Phila. Traction	98½
Do preferred	16½	Phila. Elec. Co.	10½
Elec. Stor. com.	79	Tidewater Steel	1¾
Elec. Co. Amer.	10¼	Do preferred	3
Lehigh Valley	54⅝	Union Traction	58⅝
Marsden	3⅝	United Gas Impt.	108
Penna. R. R.	68½		

Electric Stocks at Boston.

Westingh'se com.	90	Mass. Electric	13¾
*Edison Elec. Il.	255	Do preferred	56
General Electric	185		

*Asked.

Express Companies' Stocks.

Adams	238	United States	118
American	200	Wells-Fargo	237

DULLNESS TYPICAL OF HOLIDAY MARKET

Professionals Unable to Keep Up the Gait of a Brisk Opening.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Herald this (Tuesday) morning says:

The stock market of yesterday started out briskly enough, but enthusiasm entirely oozed out before the close and prices, which were generally strong and higher at the outset, shaded off at the close. The chief feature of the trading was the marked diminution of commission house business. Dealings for the five hours fell to a lower aggregate than that of Saturday's short session. Bond sales were similarly curtailed, the total falling to the smallest for a full day in many weeks. Pool and clique operators started off to make an active market, and quite a number of stocks were "tipped" off in a manner familiar in recent days, and these moved up quite readily. When traders sought to take profits, however, they discovered that there was little but professionalism in the operations, and prices fell away. Net changes, however, were insignificant.

In some quarters it was held that the shadow of Thomas W. Lawson fell athwart the market in the late dealings and influenced the heavy close. A much-advertised article of the voluble Boston operator is to appear tomorrow, and this may have had some effect in checking trading. Earlier in the day, however, the theory was advanced that the dullness was typical of a holiday market. News was not important. Traffic statements and reports of traffic movements were highly favorable. The manner in which the Mexican bond offering was taken was regarded as a highly satisfactory sign.

Pig Iron Certificates Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Firmness prevailed in the market for pig iron certificates, but the trading was stupidly dull. Morning call:

	Bid.	Asked.
Cash	$17.00	....
December	17.05	....
January	17.15	$17.25
February	17.15	17.25
March	17.10	17.25
April	17.10	17.30
May	17.00	....
June	16.90	17.25
July	16.90	....

The market for pig iron certificates was firmly supported late in the session, but the dealings were lifeless. Afternoon call:

	Bid.	Asked.
Cash	$17.00	....
December	17.10	....
January	17.15	$17.30
February	17.10	17.25
March	17.10	17.25
April	17.15	17.25
May	17.00	17.25
June	17.00	17.30
July	17.10	17.25

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $145,185,314; gold, $85,608,097; silver, $11,225,412; United States notes, $4,081,118; treasury notes of 1890, $48,982; national bank notes, $14,032,978; total receipts this day, $2,418,774; total receipts this month, $29,348,000; total receipts this year, $262,450,037; total expenditures this day, $2,090,000; total expenditures this month, $27,410,000; total expenditures this year, $285,941,747; deposits in national banks, $121,244,188.

Turpentine and Rosin.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 19.—Spirits turpentine nothing doing. Rosin nothing doing. Tar firm, $1 60. Crude turpentine firm, $2 50 @3 60.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 19.—Turpentine firm, 49@49½c. Rosin firm: A, B, C, $2 52½; D, $2 55; E, $2 57½; F, $2 60; G, $2 62½; H, $2 75; I, $3 25; K, $4 00; M, $4 30; N, $4 50; WG, $4 75; WW, $5 15.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 19.—Turpentine and rosin nothing doing.

Standard Investment Bonds.

The Colonial Trust Company, No. 317 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., has for sale a variety of bonds yielding the purchaser from 3½ to 6 per cent, which it recommends as desirable investments. Inquire of Alexander C. Thompson, manager bond department.

In the Oil Fields.

Developments in the Lower Southwest fields are lagging and not much improvement can be expected for some time. At the close of a year there is usually a lull in field work and this year it will be more pronounced than ever on account of the scarcity of water.

The Mannington district, Marion county, W. Va., has nothing new to offer. The old wells are falling to a lower level in production and it will be a few days before any new ones get the sand. The South Penn company has recovered tools lost in its No. 2 on the C. S. Pitzer farm and started to clean it out. It is now producing about 50 barrels a day.

The Yellow Creek district, in Calhoun county, is to the front with another good producer and several light wells. The Guaranty Oil Company's No. 4 on the N. E. Sommers farm is through the Berea grit and shows for a producer, good for 100 barrels a day. This well is located inside of defined limits and is of no special importance aside from its size. In the same district, the Ann Oil Company's test on the Harmon Martin lot is through the Berea grit and has a 25-barrel producer.

One mile north the South Penn Oil Company's test on the J. W. Heffner farm is through the Maxon sand and will produce about 10 barrels a day of black oil. They will not stop to test, but have cased it off and will drill through the Berea grit.

In the Salem district, Harrison county, the South Penn Oil Company drilled its No. 3 on the Rachel Carpenter farm into the Gordon and the hole filled up 1,000 feet with fluid. It will make a light pumper. In the same district, the South Penn Company has drilled its second test on the D. W. Griffin farm 8 feet into the Gordon and has a light show of oil.

Near Sedalia, Doddridge county, the Hope Natural Gas Company drilled its test on the Reason Swiger farm into the stray and has a strong gas pressure. It is now drilling in the top of the Gordon.

In the Smithfield district, Wetzel county, the South Penn Oil Company has now drilled its second test on the S. J. Kilcoyne farm through the Gordon and has a duster. In the same district, the same company has drilled its test on the Hartman-Gallagher farm 95 feet into the Big Injun and has developed no oil or gas. In the Littleton district, the South Penn Company has drilled its No. 3 on the S. H. Shriver farm into the Gordon and has shut down for water. In the Pine Grove extension, the South Penn company has drilled its No. 4 on the B. B. Postalwait farm into the stray 28 feet and has a show of oil. In the same locality, No. 4 on the Ellis Dulaney farm is 15 feet in the sand and has filled up 2,000 feet with fluid.

Near Bula, Monongalia county, McDermott & Co. have drilled their test on the Sol Myers farm 60 feet into the Big Injun and have found no oil and are now drilling deeper.

About two miles east of production, in the Burning Springs district, Wirt county, the Donoho Oil Company has started a test on the E. R. Ferree farm, located on Brushy fork. Should this test prove a producer it will open up an extension to the shallow sand district, on Standing Stone creek.

Development on the Ohio side are very light and not of any particular interest to any but those interested in a financial way.

Shipments and Runs.

Shipments and runs of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana fields:

PENNSYLVANIA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
Dec. 17-18	115,814	Dec. 16-17	115,871
Previously	1,219,614	Previously	1,042,549
Total	1,335,428	Total	1,158,549
Daily avg.	74,191	Daily avg.	68,143

LIMA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
Dec. 17-18	90,031	Dec. 16-17	114,489
Previously	950,900	Previously	862,619
Total	1,040,931	Total	977,108
Daily avg.	57,829	Daily avg.	57,487

The Oil Market.

The Standard quotes credit balances in the several fields as follows: Pennsylvania, $1 55; Second Sand, $1 45 Tiona, $1 70; Corning, $1 22; New Castle, $1 47; Cabell, $1 30; North Lima, $1 04; South Lima, 99c; Indiana, 99c; Somerset, 96c; Ragland, 60c. The Producers and Refiners Oil Company quotes Pennsylvania crude at $1 55.

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 19.—Credit balances, $1 55; certificates no bid. Shipments, Pennsylvania, 139,969 barrels; average, 75,532 barrels; runs, 115,310 barrels; average, 63,145 barrels. Shipments, Lima, 90,031 barrels; average, 57,830 barrels; runs, 124,488 barrels; average, 58,065 barrels.

TOLEDO, Dec. 19.—North Lima, $1 04; South Lima and Indiana, 99c.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The visible supply of grain, December 17, as compiled by the New York produce exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 38,585,000 bushels, increase, 1,477,000 bushels. Corn, 5,359,000 bushels, increase, 794,000 bushels. Oats, 24,189,000 bushels, decrease, 12,000 bushels. Rye, 2,165,000 bushels, increase, 172,000 bushels. Barley, 7,116,000 bushels, increase, 1,373,000 bushels.

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THREE DOWNTOWN LEASES SIGNED

Skyscraper Tenants Will Move and Furniture Firm Gets Into New Quarters.

Three more important downtown leases have been signed and the firms taking the new quarters will lose no time in making the changes. Two of the leases were made by Harry B. Naylor, agent for Henry Phipps. To the Standard Sanitary and Manufacturing Company he has leased for a term of years the entire thirteenth floor of the Bessemer building. The Standard has been located in the Arrott building for some time. It will get 24 rooms in the Bessemer.

The other lease made for Mr. Phipps was to Thomas & Company, furniture dealers, who are now at 620 Penn avenue. They have leased the six-story brick building at 930 Penn avenue for five years, and will occupy the whole building. The building has been occupied by the De Noon Brothers Paint and Glass Company, which recently bought a property at Tenth and Bingham streets, South Side, from the Lewis Foundry and Machine Company, for $60,000.

The Pittsburgh Steel Company, which has been in the Peoples Savings bank building, has leased for a term of years 18 rooms on the nineteenth floor of the Frick building, and is already in its new quarters. The rooms are those formerly occupied as ladies' and private dining rooms by the Union club.

Will Build Double Original Number.

E. M. O'Neill, who lately announced his intention of building 100 houses in the Greenfield avenue district, is arranging to build double that number. Thirteen of the first 100 have just been completed and the contract for 16 more was awarded yesterday by the agents, Samuel W. Black & Company, to Stevenson & Adams. These will be brick houses of five rooms and bath, with hardwood mantels and cement cellars and will cost $25,000. They will rent for $22 50 a month. The houses will be built on lots 20x100 feet each, in Delaven street, near Greenfield avenue, and will be in two rows after the Philadelphia style of buildings.

Plans have been prepared for 64 more similar houses to be built for Mr. O'Neill in Blanche street as soon as water connections are made. The city has arranged to lay water mains at once along Blanche, Lilac and Front streets. The last two streets will also be graded and paved. Blanche street is already graded and the contract for paving it will be awarded in a few days. The houses already arranged for are within two blocks of the "yellow" trolley line and are less than a half mile from the Second avenue street car line, giving the best of service to both the city and to Homestead, which is contributing a large share of the home buyers and renters in this neighborhood.

The same brokers are also taking bids on 11 three and four-room brick houses to be built in the same district for Mrs. Elizabeth Flowers at a cost of about $1,100 each, and for seven similar houses to be built for George E. Blair, in Sunnyside street, Glenwood, at a cost of $1,200 each.

Coal Sold for $86,000.

The Land Trust Company by its agent, W. B. Rath, has sold to private coal operators two blocks of Pittsburgh coal in Plum township for $86,000. One property belonged to John A. Sharp and consisted of 102 acres of Pittsburgh coal and two acres of surface land. The price for this was $52,000, the coal being figured at $500 an acre. The other block, consisting of 70 acres of coal, was secured from Melissa Sharp for $35,000. The property is near Center postoffice, on the Plum Creek branch of the Allegheny Valley railroad. Mines will be opened at once and modern equipment to cost $25,000 will be installed.

A few weeks ago the same brokers sold to the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Company, 130 acres of coal in the same township for $65,000. This will also be mined at once. The two deals practically close out the coal holdings in Plum township that are for sale.

Latest News in Building.

The following building projects are in the hands of local architects this week for estimates: A two-story frame and iron factory building to be built at Thirty-first street and Penn avenue from plans by Architect H. A. Lord of Oakmont, the bids to be taken by G. A. Schnable & Son; three-story brick store and apartment building at Park and Shetland avenues, for T. B. Rogers, from plans by Architect John W. Eichenlaub; brick veneered house for P. F. Jones, to cost $11,000, from plans by Architect R. E. Hampton; three-story brick and stone business block in Diamond street, for J. W. and W. F. Lloyd, from plans by Architect F. C. Sauer; three-story concrete apartment building for L. L. Carson, in Kedron street, to cost $25,000, from plans by Architects Craven and Miller.

D. H. Nuss & Son, of McKees Rocks, have the contract from Architect E. V. Denick for the brick and stone church to be built for the Belmar Christian congregation at Sterrett and Race streets, Twenty-first ward, at a cost of $15,000.

Architect George H. Schwan awarded the contract to Stevenson & Adams for four brick veneered houses in Thomas street, for C. M. Gault, to cost $4,000 each.

Announcement Was Premature.

William L. Abbott of the Iron City Improvement Company, which is building the Fort Pitt hotel at Penn avenue and Tenth street, said last night that the hotel has not been leased to Gratigny & Carr, of Columbus, O., as was reported. "The announcement is premature," said Mr. Abbott, "and was entirely unauthorized by this company. Several parties are negotiating for a lease but no deal has yet been closed."

It develops that Dr. John M. Balten is the buyer of the Bessie D. Gregg property at the southwest corner of Second and Hazelwood avenues, Twenty-third ward, which was sold recently by the Commonwealth Real Estate Company for $55,000. The lot is 67.5x101 feet and is improved with a substantial business block.

Roger O'Mara has sold to Charles Bode an improved property, 41x113 feet, on the west side of Shady avenue, Twentieth ward, for $10,500.

Sales Made by Brokers.

Homewood: The Homewood Real Estate Company sold for James H. Dickie to Harmann Roehrig, a seven-room frame house on a lot 25x140 feet, on the north side of Monticello street, between Lang and Murtland avenues, Twenty-first ward, for $3,000; for Hubert Holland to Peter Hess, a lot 25x100 feet on the east side of Murtland avenue, between Upland and Mt. Vernon streets, same ward, for $1,100; for S. D. Wilson to H. J. Holland, a lot 20x93 feet on the north side of Mt. Vernon street, for $550.

Montezuma street: The Home Trust Company sold for John F. Sweeney, 1376 Montezuma street, Twenty-first ward, a six-room frame house on a lot 37.5x100 feet, for $4,500, the buyer being F. F. Woods.

Rural street: J. W. Sherref sold for John F. Lent to Mary A. Scott, an improved lot, 29x85 feet, at the northwest corner of Rural and Beatty streets, Nineteenth ward, for $8,500.

Roy street: John E. Bourne sold to W. W. King a lot 118 feet in Roy street, near Lang avenue, Twenty-second ward, for $5,000.

Pearl street: William B. Deshon sold to Daniel H. Schulz, an improved lot, 20x80 feet, in Pearl street, Sixth ward, for $2,500.

Dunmoyle street: E. W. Dean sold to Henry Selbel 150x100 feet in Dunmoyle street, Twenty-first ward, for $1,500.

Kelly street: Walter D. Nicholson sold to Robert G. Porter an improved lot, 45x136 feet, on the south side of Kelly street, near Dallas avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $4,600.

The Aronson Realty Company sold a five-room frame dwelling in Jones avenue, near Twenty-eighth street, to John Z. Levy for $2,500.

Transfers Recorded.

Thorns Thos to J Steinorenner, Dec 15, 26th wd, Pgh, 26x100, Independence st.	$3,150
McCurdy H P to L C Springer, May 31, Avalon, 26x105, Harrison ave.	1,000
Nicholson W D to R S Porter, Dec 10, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x108, Kelly st.	4,600
Pitts A B to Jno Dzubak, Dec 9, Duquesne, 25x120, Fourth st.	1,800
Schlusselbrenner S to R Oneis, Oct 5, 27th wd, Pgh, 20x80, Stella st.	1,500
Gould A J Sr to C A Laughman, Nov 30, Avalon, 35x102, McKinley ave.	4,500
Dunn Wm T to J B Burns, Dec 15, McKees Rocks, 25x48, Marion st.	1,650
Hamilton Wm to F O Boltz, Dec 12, 21st wd, Pgh, 35x120, Rowan ave.	4,000
Alot Adam to Rosa Schmitt, Dec 1, Sharpsburgh, 20x57, Main st.	1,400
Malcom A to J J Blanck, Nov 17, Penn twp, 1 94-100 acres	2,134
Butz E J to Gertrude Bauer, Sept 26, Millvale, 95x470, Stanton ave.	5,200
Ball Margaret B to J H Wite, Nov 29, 23d wd, Pgh, 52x100, Hazelwood ave.	7,000
Bryan Miles to E Kennedy, Dec 18, McKees Rocks, 50x67, Mary st.	4,000
Chestnut L W to Coney Adler, Dec 1, 11th wd, Pgh, 17x62, Webster ave.	6,000
Flower J O to Homestead Amusement Co, Sept 29, Munhall, 50x110, Eighth st	11,000
Geyer Adam Jr to M E Antis, Dec 6, East Pgh, 25x100, Franklin st.	1,700
Kircher C to Wm Zinkham, May 17, McKees Rocks, 48x128, Chartiers ave.	8,000
Woods W L to F Commerso, Sept 2, 21st wd, Pgh, 24x100, McDonald st.	2,200
Roth Lena to E Schaming, Nov 30, Stowe twp, 25x91, Russellwood ave.	3,600
Schamery E to Lena Roth, Dec 1, Pgh, 20x120, Hill st.	2,000
Dickie J H to H Roehrig, Dec 9, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x140, Monticello st.	3,000
Weber H B to M B Hodil, Dec 17, Indiana twp, 40 acres	4,500
Lewis Foundry & Mach Co to DeNoon Bros Paint & Glass Co, Dec 15, 29th wd, Pgh, 180x95, Muriel st, 143x83 Bingham st.	60,000
Reed J C to A F Hueseman, Dec 1, 2d wd, Ally, 20x70, Jefferson st.	3,750

CHRISTMAS BUSINESS STARTS WITH BIG RUSH

Buyers Crowded Markets Yesterday Laying in Supplies for the Great Day.

Christmas business started in all the local markets yesterday with a rush. Along Liberty street dealers were getting out wagonload after wagonload of Christmas greens, produce of all kinds, and everything that pertains to the great day, except the turkeys. It is too soon yet for the bird to begin to move. In the wholesale grocery houses the principal business was in nuts, citron, mincemeat, peels, flavors and everything that goes to give tone and zest to the Christmas feast. It was evident, from the hearty manner in which buyers were crowding the market that Pittsburgh will enjoy a great Christmas feast this year.

Turkeys will sell as high as they did for Thanksgiving. The dealers are all putting them at 20 to 25 cents. They are in better condition than they were for Thanksgiving, as the stock has taken on weight rapidly the last couple of weeks. Thanksgiving turkeys were poor. The weather had been open enough for them to run the fat off themselves. The last couple of weeks have just been right for fattening turkeys, and the result is a great improvement. All the shipments will have to come in by rail, as it is too late to expect any relief from the rivers. This makes high-priced turkeys, as the railroad rates on the birds are excessive.

There will be plenty of oranges for the day. Eleven carloads arrived yesterday, making a stock of 22 carloads. The demand for oranges yesterday was heavy, and no cut in price followed the heavy receipts. Sweet potatoes will also be plentiful, 10 carloads being now in the yards.

No changes took place in any line in the local markets yesterday. Flour, which has been weak, is somewhat stronger owing to the firmer tone of the wheat market. Coffee and sugar are both very strong. It is not believed that sugar will go any higher, but coffee may move up another half cent within the next week or two. Aside from the good business yesterday the market was without features. The receipts of fruit and produce were as follows: Apples, 9 cars, making 57; cabbage, 1, making 25; celery, 1, making 6; onions, 2, making 12; oranges, 11, making 22; potatoes, 8, making 67; sweet potatoes, 1, making 10; miscellaneous, 10, making 23.

HAY AND GRAIN.

Receipts.

Receipts of hay and grain yesterday were as follows: Pennsylvania lines—27 cars corn, 31 cars hay, 14 cars oats, 5 cars feed, 6 cars wheat. Pittsburgh & Lake Erie—7 cars hay, 3 cars corn, 5 cars oats, 1 car rye. Baltimore & Ohio—6 cars hay, 1 car corn, 2 cars oats.

Receipts were only moderately heavy yesterday in the hay and grain line, and everything was taken up as fast as it was offered. There were no price changes and the market is as firm as it has been for several weeks. Best timothy and No. 1 clover are holding even and both are in good demand. All the lower grades of hay are selling rapidly. Ear corn receipts are a little short, most of the farmers shelling their corn at this time. The result is ear corn is up and the shelled product down. The mill feed market continues about the same, with bran up and in good demand, and other products lagging and neglected.

No. 1 timothy	$13.25@13.50
No. 2	$12.00@12.50
No. 1 clov	$13.25@13.50
No. 1 mix	$12.75@13.00
Loose from wagon	$14.00@16.00
Straw, oat	$7.50@7.75
do wheat	$7.75@8.00
do rye	$12.00@12.50
No. 2 white oats	35@35¼c
No. 3 oats	34½@34¾c
No. 4 oats	33½@33¾c
White middlings, No. 1, ton	$22.50@23.00
No. 2 middlings	$21.25@21.75
do brown	$19.00@19.50
Bran, ton	$19.50@20.00
Wheat, No. 2 red, at mill	$1.06@1.08
New yellow shelled	49½@50c
New high mixed	48½@49c
New yellow ear	54@54½c
No. 2 rye, western	90½@91c

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live hens	10@12c
do roosters	6@7c
do turkeys	15@17c
do spring chickens	10@12c
do geese	11@12c
do ducks	13@14c
Dressed hens	14@15c
do roosters	10@11c
do turkeys	20@22c
do spring chickens	15@16c
do Long Island ducklings	20c
do ducks	16@17c
do capon, lb	26@27c
Squab, doz	$4.00
do No. 2	$3.75
Ducks, ruddy	$1.25
do red head	$1.75@3.00
do canvas-back	$2.75@3.00
Impt. golden plover, doz	$5.50
do black plover	$4.50
do grouse	$2.50
do partridges	$2.25
English pheasants, per pair	$3.25
Reed birds, doz	$1.25
Snappers, per lb	9@10c
Rabbits, pair	35@40c
Woodchuck	40@50c
Suckling pigs, lb	10@12c
Pigeons, doz	90c@$1.00

GROCERIES.

Flour.	
Fancy spg. patent, quarters, in paper	$6.30@6.35
Fancy winter patent	$5.85@6.05
Straight win.	$5.45@5.60
Rye	$4.50@4.55
Graham	$4.65@4.75
Cornmeal, bbl	$3.25@3.40
do 10-lb cotton bags	16½@17c
Buckwheat	$3.00@3.25
Rolled oats, bbl	$4.25
do kegs	$2.40
Roasted Coffee.	
Rio	14@14½c
Santos	23@24c
Maracaibo	15½@16c
Peaberry	18@18½c
Golden Rio	15½@16c
Caracas	20@20½c
Standard, pkgs	13.55c
High grade	18½@19½c
Molasses, fancy refined	35@36c
do choice	31@34c
do open ket	27@30c
Syrup.	
Fancy syrup	28@30c
Maple sugar, gal	$1.06
Sug. and cane	24@25c
Prime	24@25c
½-lb cans, doz	$1.90
¼-lb cans, doz	$1.10
5-lb cans, doz	$1.85
10-lb cans, doz	$3.40
Maple, gal	75c@$1.00
Oatmeal, bbl	$5.25
do kegs	$2.75
Sugar, sta. gran	5.85c
do bags	5.85c
do 2-lb carton	6.05c
do 5-lb bags	6.05c
do pow'd xxxx	6.00c
do cut leaf	6.05c
do cubes	6.15c
do coff. A	5.15@5.75c
do No. 1 yellow	5.75c
do No. 2 yellow	5.45c
do No. 3 yellow	5.40c
Beans.	
Navy, choice H. P.	$1.90@1.95
Red kidney	$3.25@3.50
Cal. lima, lb	5¼@5½c
Peas, dried, bu	$1.25@1.35
do split, lb	3½c
bu	$2.00@2.10
do marrowfat, bu	$2.00@2.10
Oil, carbon, 110 deg	11⅝c
do headlight	12⅝c
do water white	13c
do Ohio W. W. 150 deg	12¾c
do Elaine	16c
do special brands	26@48c
Rice, ex-fancy head, lb	6@6½c
do fancy Japan	4@4¼c
do choice, Caroline	5¼@5½c
Salt, No. 1 bbl	$1.10
do No. 1 extra	$1.20
do gran. rock	95c
do pocket	$1.65@1.95
do dairy	$1.50
Lentils, fancy "6-O," lb	5@5½c
Sauerkraut, 40-gal. cask	$5.00
do 15-gal. keg	$2.00

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, bu, store	55@60c
Jersey sweets, kiln dried, bbl	$3.75@4.00
do hamp'r	$1.25@1.50
do crates	$1.35@1.40
Onions, yellow Danvers, bbl	$2.50@2.75
do bu	$1.10@1.15
Spanish, per crate	$1.75@1.85
Carrots, bbl	$1.50@1.75
do hamp'rs	90c@$1.00
Parsnips, bbl	$1.50@1.75
Cucumbers, Boston doz	$1.75@2.00
Cabbage, domestic, bbl	75c@$1.00
do ton	$11.00@12.00
do Savoy, bbl	$1.00@1.25
do German seed, ton	$14.00@15.00
do bbl	$1.00@1.25
Ohio celery	20@30c
do Cal	60@65c
Brussels sprouts, quart	12½@15c
Spinach, do bu hamp'rs	65@75c
Honey, new	15@16c
Extra fancy	17c
do Miller's, 12 sec	18½c
Beets, bbls	$1.50@1.75
Popcorn, lb	4@5c
Eggplant, Florida, crates	$3.00@3.50
Squash, marrowfats, bbl	$1.00@1.25
do Hubbard, bbl	$1.25@1.50
Rutabagas	$1.15@1.25
Peppers, bu	90c@$1.00
Mushrooms, per lb	35@40c
Cauliflower, Cal., crates	$2.25@2.50
Garlic, lb	7@8c
Cranberries, per crate	$1.75@2.25
Horseradish, bbl	$5.00@6.00
Turnips, bu	50@60c
do bbl	$1.50@1.75
Watercress, doz	45@50c
Lettuce, baskets	25c

FRUITS.

Lemons, Messinas	$3.00@3.25
Oranges, Florida	$2.25@2.75
Navel	$2.75@3.25
Cocoanuts, bags	$3.50@4.00
do doz	65@75c
Figs, cartons	75@80c
do layers	8@12c
do washed, stuffed, doz	$2.25
Dates, stuffed	18c
Bananas 1st	$1.50@2.00
do 2nds	$1.00@1.50
Pineapples, crate	$3.00@3.50
Tangerines, Fla., box	$3.50
do ½ box	$1.75
Malaga grapes	$5.00@6.00
do Catawba, 4-lb	10@11c
Grape fruit	$3.50@4.00
Apples, fancy, Kings, bbl	$2.75@3.00
do Baldwin	$2.25@2.50
do Palisades (Col.) box	$2.25
do other varieties	$2.25@2.50
Choice	$1.25@1.50
Limes, per 100	75c@$1.00
Pears, Keifers, Ohio and N. Y., bbls	$2.00@2.50
do Cal. box	$3.00

PROVISIONS.

Hams.	
18 lbs and up	9½c
Over 14 to 18 lbs	9⅝c
Over 10 to 14 lbs	10c
10 lbs and under	10¼c
Skinned	10½c
Boneless boiled	17c
California	7¼c
Shoulders, N. Y., cut	8½c
do skinned	9c
Ribs, 8 to 10 lbs	11c
do 10 to 12 lbs	10c
do back strips	10c
do clears, 8 to 10 lbs	11¼c
do 10 to 12 lbs	10¾c
Breakfast bacon, back strips	10¼c
Dry salt sides, extra short clears	8¼c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs	8¼c
do 16 to 20 lbs	8⅜c
do under 16 lbs	8⅝c
Dry salt smoked sides, extra short clears	9¼c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs	9¼c
do 16 to 20 lbs	9⅜c
do under 16 lbs	9⅝c
Lard, pure, tierces	7@7½c

NUTS.

Filberts	11@12c
Eng. walnuts	12@15c
do dom	90c@$1.00
S. S. almonds	16½c
Tarr. almonds	15c
Mixed	10@11c
Brazil	9@11c
Italian chestn'ts	9@10c
do domestic, choice, lb	5@6c
do fancy, lb	8@9c
do dried Italian, lb	7c
Shellbarks, bu	$1.50@1.75
do new	$1.75@2.00
Pecans	10c
Peanuts, fancy roasted	$1.60
do choice	$1.30

HERBS.

Sage, doz	20@25c
Summer savory, doz	20@25c
Sweet marjoram, doz	20@25c
Lemon thyme, doz	20@25c

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, sta. pie	$1.10
do pie, gal	$2.50@3.00
do California, L. C.	$1.65@2.25
do Maryland	$1.45@1.65
do California, Y. F.	$1.80@2.00
Corn, fancy	$1.10@1.20
do stan	90c@$1.00
Cherries, Cal. white	$2.50@2.75
Lima beans	$1.25@1.45
do soaked	75@80c
String beans, 2-lb	70c
do 3-lb	85c
Stringless beans	$1.25@1.75
Peas, marrowfat	88@90c
do early June	92@95c
do soaked	55@65c
Apples, N. Y., gal. cans	$2.15@2.25
Pineapples	$1.25@2.55
Plums, California	$1.55@1.60
Raspberries	85@95c
Gooseberries	85@90c
Tomatoes, fancy	$1.15@1.35
do standard	80@85c
do gal	$2.50@2.55
Succotash, 1-lb cans	$1.25@1.40
Baked beans, cans, tomato sc	75@95c
Salmon, doz	95c@$2.00
do red, 1-lb flats	$1.00@1.30
½-lb flats	$1.65@2.00
do pink, 1-lb talls	$1.81@2.10
Chipped beef	$2.25@2.75
Corn and roast beef, 2-lb cans	$2.40@2.45
do 1-lb cans	$1.30@1.35
Mackerel, broiled	$1.90@2.50
Sardines, domestic, ¼s	$3.45@3.60
do mustards, ¾s	$2.60
do French	$9.50@18.50

JOBBERS' YARD PRICES.

Potatoes, Mich., carlots	40@50c
do bu	46@48c
do Ohio, carlots	53@55c
do bu	55@58c
Onions, bbl	$2.40@2.50
do bu	$1.00@1.10
Cabbage, G. seed, ton	$13.00@14.00
do domestic, ton	$8.00@8.50
Apples, fancy, bbl	$1.90@2.50
do choice, bbl	$1.25@1.50
do bulk, bbl	$1.00@1.25
Sweets, K. D., Jersey, bbl	$3.50@3.75
do crate	$1.15@1.20
Rutabagas, bu	30@35c
Carrots, ton	$15.00@16.00
Parsnips, ton	$18.00@20.00
Squash, Hub., ton	$10.00@12.00
do marrowfat, ton	$8.00@9.00
Turnips, bbl	$1.25@1.50
Beets, bbl	$1.50@1.75
Holly, crates	$2.75@3.00

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter.	
Prints	30@30½c
Tubs	29@29½c
Ohio cream	25@26c
Dairy	21@22c
Renovated butter	20@22c
Cheese, N. Y. full crm, new	13¾@14c
do Ohio crm	13@13½c
do ¾ cream, new	11@11½c
do Wis. Swiss, tubs	15@15½c
do block	14@14½c
do imported	27@27½c
do Limberger, new	13½@14c
do 5-lb brk	15@15½c
Neufchatel, per box	90c@$1.00
Shefford, box	95c
Eggs, selected	34c
do candled 1sts	31@32c
do storage	23@25c

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Holly, crate	$3.00@3.25
do wreaths, doz	$1.25@1.50
Ground pine, yd	4@5c
do wreaths, doz	$1.25@1.50
Ground moss, bbl	$2.00@2.25
do crate	$1.00@1.25
Christmas trees, bundle	$1.00@1.25
Immortelles, doz	$3.00@3.50
Magnolia wreaths, doz	$1.25@1.50
Laurel wreaths, doz	$1.25@1.50
do yard	4@5c
Mistletoe, lb	20@25c
Needle pines, doz	$1.75@2.00
California pepperwood, crate	$7.00@8.00

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl	$26.00
do half bbls	$11.50
do quar. bbl	$6.00
Mackerel, No. 1 plain, bbl	$20.00
do half bbls	$10.50
do quar. bbls	$6.25
do 20-lb pails	$2.40
do 10-lb pails	$1.75
Mackerel, No. 2 large, bbl	$16.50
do half bbls	$8.50
do quar. bbls	$4.35
do 20-lb pails	$1.90
do 10-lb pails	$1.00
do No. 2 Irish, 50-lb tubs	$5.00
Lake herring, 100 lbs	$3.35
do 30-lb	$1.35
do 10-lb	50c

DRIED FRUIT.

Apricots, evap., bags	10@12c
do 25-lb boxes	10½@12½c
Apples, bulk	6¾@7c
do 1-lb cartons	7½@8c
Peaches	7@10½c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkg	7½@7¾c
Raisins, Muscatel, 2 and 4 crown 50-lb boxes	6@6½c
do Ondaria Val	8@8½c
do Cal. Val	7@7½c
Currants, cleaned, 25 and 60-lb pkgs	6½@6¾c
Prunes	3@8c

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu small	$8.00@8.10
do mammoth	$8.10@8.20
do crimson	$4.50@4.75
do white Dutch	$9.75@11.50
Alsike	$8.50@9.25
Alfalfa	$8.50@9.00
Millet, Western	$1.25@1.50
Southern	$1.75@1.80
Grass, Hungarian	90c@$1.00
do lawn, lb	16@18c
do blues, 14-lb bu	$1.25@1.50
do red top, 14-lb bu	$1.10@1.60
Timothy	$1.45@1.50

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer, heavy	9c
do light, under 60 lbs, and cows, all weights	8c
No. 1 green bulls	6c
Green salt or cured, No. 1 steers, over 60 lbs	11c
do No. 2	9c
Cows and lig't hides	10c
Calfskin, No. 1	12c

SOUTHERN GREEN STUFF.

Tomatoes, Fla., crate	$3.00@3.50
do Cal	$2.75@3.00
Shallots, doz	40@50c
Carrots, doz	60@65c
Endive, bbl	$3.50@4.00
Head lettuce, bbl	$3.50@4.00
Escarole, bbl	$3.50@4.00
Spinach, doz	50@60c
Radishes, doz	15@25c
Green beans	$3.00@3.50

FIRM WHEAT MARKET ON DECREASED RECEIPTS

Reports Arrive of Sharp Falling Off in Demand from the Northwest.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Decreased receipts in the northwest formed the principal reason for a firm wheat market here today. At the close May wheat showed a gain of half cent. Corn is up ¼c. Oats are unchanged. Provisions are up 5@10c.

The wheat market showed greatest strength soon after the opening. On a good demand from commission houses and local shorts, sentiment at the start was bullish. Initial quotations on May were up ⅛@½c, at $1 10⅝@1 11. The main cause of the urgent demand was a sharp falling off in receipts in the northwest. Another factor that entered into the situation, however, was a decrease in the amount on passage, together with a decrease in world's shipments. A noticeable feature of the statistics of the world's movement was the smallness of shipments from Russia. Advices from Minneapolis told of a good demand for cash wheat. With offerings light, prices advanced still further until May sold up to $1 11½. For a time the market held firm, the strength being apparently due more to a scarcity of offerings than to any great demand.

Bullish reports concernings the condition of the wheat crop in Kansas helped to support prices. Late in the day sentiment became somewhat easier on profit-taking and on selling brought out by a considerable increase in the visible supply. The weekly report of a Cincinnati trade journal was also construed as being slightly bearish. According to this authority the snows and rains of the past week have afforded the wheat crop partial relief from the prevailing drought, while the ground is still dry existing conditions on the whole were claimed to be quite favorable. After a reaction to $1 10¾@1 10⅞, the May option closed at $1 11, a fairly firm undertone being manifested at the finish.

Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 100,200 bushels. The amount on passage decreased 2,840,000 bushels, while the visible supply increased 1,471,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 1,033,600 bushels, compared with 1,538,800 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 781 cars, against 1,182 cars last week and 967 cars a year ago.

Considering the enormous total receipts the corn market had a fairly firm tone the greater part of the day. The volume of business was comparatively light. A feature of trading was the approximate equality in value of the May and December deliveries. The strength of wheat was the influence that offset the effect of liberal local receipts. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at 45@45⅛c, sold up to 45⅝@45½c, and closed at 45¼c. Local receipts were 1,025 cars, four of contract grade.

A steady tone prevailed in the oats market. Trading was almost entirely local and was largely of a scalping character. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at 31¼@31⅜c, sold up to 31½c, and closed at 31¼@31⅜c. Local receipts were 181 cars.

Provisions were firm throughout the entire session. Owing to decreasing receipts of hogs, sentiment was inclined to bullishness. Packers were fair purchasers of lard. At the close May pork was up 10c at $12 92½. Lard and ribs were each 5c higher at $7 12½ and $6 77½@6 80, respectively.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow—Wheat, 54 cars; corn, 937 cars; oats, 110 cars; hogs, 30,000 head.

The leading futures, reported by John D. Armstrong & Co., members of the Chicago board of trade, Farmers Bank building, are as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Saturday's Close.
WHEAT No. 2.					
Dec.	1 10	1 11	1 10	1 10	1 09⅝
May	1 11	1 11¼	1 10⅝	1 11	1 11⅜
July	98⅝	98⅞	98⅛	98⅝	98⅝
CORN, No. 2.					
Dec.	45¼	46	45⅜	45⅞	45⅝
May	45⅛	45½	45	45¼	45⅜
July	45⅝	45¾	45⅜	45½	45⅝
OATS, No. 2.					
Dec.	29¼	29¼	29⅛	29¼	29⅜
May	31⅛	31¼	31¼	31⅛	31⅛
July	31⅝	31½	31¼	31¼	31½
MESS PORK.					
Jan.	12 60	12 62½	12 57½	12 57½	12 55
May	12 85	12 95	12 85	12 92½	12 92½
LARD.					
Jan.	6 85	6 87½	6 85	6 87½	6 85
May	7 10	7 15	7 10	7 12½	7 12½
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	6 47½	6 50	6 47½	6 50	6 50
May	6 75	6 80	6 75	6 80	6 80

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour easy; No. 2 spring wheat, $1 08@1 15; No. 3, 95c@$1 10; No. 2 red, $1 12@1 14½; No. 2 corn, 45¾@46¼c; No. 2 oats, 29½c; No. 2 white, 30¾@31½c; No. 3 white, 29½@31c; No. 2 rye, 74c; good feeding barley, 37@38c; fair to choice malting, 41@48c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 17c; No. 1 northwestern, $1 24½; prime timothy seed, $2 72½; mess pork, per bbl, $11 30@11 40; lard, per 100 lbs, $6 82½; short ribs sides (loose), $6 25@6 50; short clear sides (boxed), $6 62½@6 75; whisky, basis of high wines, $1 24; clover, contract grade, $12 75.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	10,000	10,000
Wheat, bu	54,000	30,300
Corn, bu	629,200	242,200
Oats, bu	101,900	86,500
Rye, bu	5,600	6,600
Barley, bu	84,300	15,500

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Flour—Receipts, 14,264 bbls; sales, 5,670 bbls; dull and featureless. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour dull; 100 lbs, $2 10@2 20. Cornmeal steady. Grain—Rye nominal. Barley steady. Wheat—Receipts, 42,000 bu; exports, 15,080 bu; spot firm; No. 2 red nominal, elevator, and $1 18 f o b afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1 22¾ f o b afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, nominal f o b afloat. Options—Smaller world's shipments and northwest receipts caused early strength in wheat today, the price advancing until checked by the large visible supply increase. Realizing developed after midday and the market closed irregular at ⅛@1c net advance. May, $1 12 7-16@1 13 3-16, closed $1 12¾; July, $1 02⅝@1 03⅜, closed $1 03; December, $1 17⅛@1 18, closed $1 18. Corn—Receipts, 282,125 bu; exports, 226,930 bu; spot easy; No. 2 nominal elevator, and 53¼c f o b afloat; No. 2 yellow, 53¼c; No. 2 white, 53½c. Option market was dull all day and about steady, with wheat, closing net unchanged. May closed 51½c; December, closed 55c. Oats—Receipts, 61,500 bu; exports, 3,075 bu; spot firm; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs, 34½@35½c; natural white, 30 to 32 lbs, 36@37c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs, 37½@38½c.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—Wheat, No. 2 red, cash, elevator, $1 12½; May, $1 13⅛@1 13¼; July, 95¾c; No. 2 hard, $1 10@1 12½. Corn, No. 2 cash, 42½c; December, 42½c; May, 43@43⅛c. Oats, No. 2 cash, 30c; December, 30c; May, 31⅜c; No. 2 white, 32c.

DULUTH, Dec. 19.—Wheat, No. 1 northern, $1 10¼; No. 2 northern, $1 04¼; December, $1 10¼; May, $1 12⅜.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 19.—Wheat, No. 1 northern, $1 12@1 14; No. 2 northern, $1 05@1 08½; May, $1 11 bid. Rye, No. 1, 77½c. Barley, No. 2, 52c; sample, 38@50c. Corn, No. 3, 43@43¼c; May, 45⅛@45¼c asked.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—Wheat, December, $1 10¾; May, $1 12⅞@1 13; July, $1 12⅛@1 12¼; No. 1 hard, $1 12¾; No. 1 northern, $1 10¾; No. 2 northern, $1 05¼. Flour—First patents, $5 90@6 00; second patents, $5 70@5 80; first clears, $4 10@4 35; second clears, $2 70@2 85. Bran in bulk, $15.

TOLEDO, Dec. 19.—Cloverseed, cash and December, $7 92½; February, $7 97½; March, $8 02½; prime alsike, $8 62½; prime timothy, $1 30.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Butter steadier; receipts, 2,958 pkgs; street price: Extra creamery, 26@26½c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 17@26c; do held, common to extra, 18@24c; state dairy, common to extra, 15@24c; renovated, common to extra, 13@24c; western factory, common to choice, 13@17c; western imitation creamery, common to extra, 15½@20c. Cheese firm; receipts, 351 pkgs; state full cream, small colored and white to fancy, 12c; do fine, 11½c; do late made, colored and white, choice, 11c; fair to good, 10@10½c; do poor, 8½@9½c; do large, colored and white, fancy, 11⅝c; do fine, 11@11¼c; do late made, colored and white, 10¾c; do fair to good, 9@9½c; skims, full to light, 4@10c. Eggs weak; receipts, 1,882 pkgs; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, fancy selected, white, 36@38c; do choice, 33@35c; do mixed, fancy, 32@34c; western fancy, selected, 30@31c; do average best, 28@29c; southerns, 22@26c; refrigerators, 18@21½c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Butter unchanged; extra western creamery, 28c; do nearby prints, 31c. Eggs quiet but steady; nearby fresh, 30c at mark; western do, 29@30c do. Cheese firm, fair demand; New York full creams, fancy, 12½c; do choice, 11¾@12c; do fair to good, 11@11½c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 16@26c; dairies, 22c. Eggs easy, at mark, cases included, 19@23½c; firsts, 23½c; prime firsts, 25½c; extra, 27½c. Cheese steady, 11@12c.

The Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet 15 points lower. Middling uplands, 7.90c; gulf, 8.15c; sales, 1,564 bales. The range of prices for the day was as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	7.66	7.66	7.44	7.44
February	*7.74	....	....	7.53
March	7.84	7.84	7.61	7.62
April	*7.88	....	....	7.69
May	7.94	7.94	7.72	7.73
June	*7.98	7.95	7.80	7.80
July	8.06	8.06	7.83	7.84
August	*8.07	8.07	7.85	7.84
October	†8.00	7.86	7.86	7.80
December	7.57	7.57	7.46	7.40

*Bid. †Asked.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH UNION STOCK YARDS.
Monday, Dec. 19, 1904.

STOCK ON SALE.

	Cattle	Hogs.	Sheep
J. B. Huff & Co.	4	12	4½
S. B. Hedges & Co.	4½	8	6½
McCall, Rowlen & Newburn	20	20	8½
W. & B. Brinkman	14	29	6
L. Dyer & Co.	8½	21	8
I. Ziegler	3	....	....
J. Needy & Co.	7	7	2
Max Arnold	1	....	....
M. Huffman	8	....	....
F. A. Schmitz & Bro.	4	....	....
Ohio Live Stock Co.	7½	7½	2
McCaully	4	....	....
W. G. Bradburn	2	....	....
Totals	100	120	38
Last week	161	64½	23½

SHIPMENTS.

	New York.			Philadel'a			Locals.		
	C.	H.	S.	C.	H.	S.	C.	H.	S.
Monday	5	7	..	1	8	7	35	31	5
Tuesday	2	11	11	20	4	7	25	22	3
Wednesday	16	9	4	8	8	5	15	12	2
Thursday	1	24	8	9	9	4	6	5	3
Friday	13	14	4	22	2	6	3	13	1
Sat. & Sun.	4	43	14	14	12	13	49	22	1
Totals	41	108	41	74	43	42	143	105	15
Last week	60	96	21	36	38	37	112	100	25

SALES.

Day.	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep	C'lves
Monday	2876	12530	4737	506
Tuesday	345	2802	778	123
Wednesday	77	3968	1508	75
Tuesday	42	6353	1291	288
Friday	38	6966	1299	48
Saturday	57	815	1430	40
Totals	3435	33443	11043	1080

Cattle.

Activity characterized the cattle market yesterday and buyers were busy. The grade of the stock has materially improved the past two weeks, cattle being in much better condition. This is accounted for by the fact that pastures are buried in snow and farmers are feeding their stock. The receipts yesterday were about 90 carloads. Quotations: Choice, 1,400 to 1,500 pounds, $5 25@5 50; prime, 1,300 to 1,400 pounds, $4 85@5 10; good, 1,200 to 1,300 pounds, $4 40@4 80; tidy, 1,000 to 1,500 pounds, $4 00@4 25; common, 700 to 900 pounds, $2 00@3 00; choice heifers, $3 40@3 75; common to good, $2 00@3 25; good fat cows and springers, $40 00@50 00; common to fair, $20 00@30 00.

Sheep and Lambs.

The market on sheep was 20 to 25 cents lower yesterday and on lambs 40 to 45 cents lower. The market was active. Receipts were about 35 double-decks. Quotations: Prime wethers, 95 to 100 pounds, $4 75@4 90; good mixed, 85 to 90 pounds, $4 40@4 70; fair mixed, 75 to 80 pounds, $3 75@4 25; common, $2 00@3 00; lambs, $4 00@6 75; veal calves, $7 00@7 50; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

Hogs.

About 110 carloads of hogs were on sale and the market was slow and prices down. The heavy killing in the country districts at this time of year is having its greatest effect just now. Quotations: Prime heavy, $4 70@4 75; medium, $4 65; heavy Yorkers, $4 60@4 65; light Yorkers, $4 50@4 55; pigs, $4 40@4 50; roughs, $4 00@4 25; stags, $3 00@3 50.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Beeves—Receipts, 4,587 head. Steers slow to a shade lower; bulls, slow to 15c lower; good cows easier; others steady; steers, $3 50@5 50; oxen, $4 35; bulls, $2 25@3 50; cows, $1 30@3 05; few extras, $3 40@3 50. Calves quoted live cattle firm at 10@12½c a pound, dressed weight. Christmas steers, 13@14c; sheep lower at 10½@12½c; lambs, 14c, dressed weight. Exports, 560 cattle and 2,300 quarters of beef; tomorrow, 880 cattle, 1,500 sheep and 5,200 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 868 head. Steady to strong. Veals, $5 00@9 00. Little calves, $4 00@4 50; barnyard calves, $2 50@3 50; westerns, $3 25. Dressed calves steady. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 15,800 head. Sheep 25c lower; lambs, 25 to 50c off; sheep, $3 25@5 25; fancy export wethers, $5 80; culls, $3; lambs, $6 00@7 25; culls, $5 00@5 75; Canada lambs, $6 30. Hogs—Receipts, 15,153 head. State and Pennsylvania hogs, $4 85@5 00; few choice light, same pigs, $5 25@5 35.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 24,000 head. Market steady to 10c higher; good to prime steers, $6 10@7 00; poor to medium, $3 75@5 90; stockers and feeders, $2 00@4 15; cows, $1 00@4 20; heifers, $1 75@4 75; canners, $1 00@2 35; bulls, $2 00@3 00; calves, $3 00@7 00. Hogs—Receipts, 35,000 head. Market 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $4 40@4 65; good to choice, heavy, $4 60@4 72½; rough heavy, $4 40@4 50; light, $4 35@4 57½; bulk of sales, $4 55@4 65. Sheep—Receipts, 30,000 head. Sheep 10c lower; lambs, steady to weak; good to choice wethers, $4 50@5 10; fair to choice mixed, $3 50@4 60; native lambs, $5 00@7 00.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,500 head, including 500 southerns. Market steady to 10c higher. Choice export and dressed beef steers, $5 00@6 50; fair to good, $3 50@5 00; western-fed steers, $3 50@5 50; stockers and feeders, $2 50@4 00; southern steers, $2 50@4 50; southern cows, $1 75@3 25; native cows, $1 75@4 25; native heifers, $2 50@5 00; bulls, $2 00@4 00; calves, $3 00@6 50. Hogs—Receipts, 5,000 head. Market opened 5c higher, closed 10c higher. Top, $4 70; bulk of sales, $4 40@4 65; heavy, $4 67½@4 70; packers, $4 50@4 65; pigs, and lights, $4 00@4 62½. Sheep—Receipts, 3,000 head. Market strong and active. Native lambs, $5 00@6 65; native wethers, $4 50@5 25; native ewes, $4 50@5 00; western lambs, $5 00@6 50; western yearlings, $4 50@5 50; western sheep, $3 75@4 75; stockers and feeders, $2 50@4 50.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—Hogs active, strong, 5c higher. Butchers, $4 65; common, $3 65@4 50. Cattle, dull and weak; fair to good, shippers, $4 00@4 5; common, $2 00@2 25. Sheep, slow and lower, $2 25@4 35; lambs, dull and weak, $4 50@7 25.

Railroad Notes.

Railway managers throughout the country now declare a great mistake was made in cancelling orders for new equipment and cutting down shop forces because of the temporary decline in the general volume of traffic last spring. Today every railroad between the Missouri river and the Atlantic seaboard is short of cars and unable to promptly transport the freight offered. On some roads there are serious congestions of freight now; other lines have escaped such conditions only because weather conditions have been unusually favorable. As a matter of fact, some of the big railway systems have a smaller number of engines and freight cars available for service today than they had last year. This is due to the fact that on the big systems from one to three cars a day are worn out or lost. The shipments by all classes of manufacturers have become so heavy in the Pittsburgh district that the remarkable spectacle is presented of a great wave of prosperity being held back by the very conditions it has created. The freight consists largely of coal, ore and mill products.

Bessemer Loans Some of Its Engines.

Now that the lake season is closed Bessemer & Lake Erie engines are being loaned to other lines. The Pennsylvania railroad has secured seven of the monster engines and eight have been leased by the Erie. A Bessemer fireman has been sent with each engine on account of the difference in construction of the fireboxes. During the winter the Bessemer will build 12 new engines, two of them for passenger service, to be constructed at the Crooks works, and 10 freights by the Pittsburgh locomotive works.

May Install 20-Hour Train.

Officials of the Pennsylvania railroad are considering the advisability of re-establishing the 20-hour special between New York and Chicago. About two years ago the company established a 20-hour train between these cities which was known as the Pennsylvania Special. The train was short lived, on account of the heavy freight movement, but now that much additional fourth, third and second tracks have been constructed, the "special" could have preference without materially interfering with the freight traffic.

Railroad Notes.

F. D. Baker, traveling passenger agent of the Burlington at Chicago, spent yesterday in Pittsburgh.

An official statement of the business done at Union station, St. Louis, during the fair, shows that 10,000,000 persons were handled.

The Pittsburgh representatives of western roads expect a heavy travel to the Pacific coast next summer. There are several international conventions to be held in the west, among them the G. A. R. encampment.

The Lake Shore has issued an order that none of its checks must be cashed by saloonkeepers. All employes are paid by check, and saloonkeepers and storekeepers have imposed on the men, it is said, by charging exorbitant commissions for cashing them. The company will insist that only banks shall accept the checks.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Prime mercantile paper, 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 87.45@4 87.50 for demand, and at $4 84.80@4 84.90 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4 85½ and $4 88; commercial bills, $4 84⅝. Bar silver, 61¼c. Mexican dollars, 48½c. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds firm. Money on call steady, 2½@2¾ per cent; lowest, 2½ per cent; closing bid and offered, 2¾ per cent. Time loans very easy; 60 days, 90 days and six months, 3½@3¾ per cent.

FINANCIAL AND TRADE NOTES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—National bank notes received today for redemption, $1,093,373; government receipts from internal revenue, $1,387,486; customs, $774,274; miscellaneous, $257,012; expenditures, $2,830,000.

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

Drifts in the bottom of the Oliver shaft, at the south end of the Calumet and Arizona, have been running into good ore for some weeks, and now there are workings running from 50 to 100 feet in every direction from the shaft that are in high grade ores, mostly sulphides. It is stated that the developments in that shaft for the past months are such as to lead to the assurance that there will be a mine at that end of the Calumet and Arizona as good as that of the Irish Mag, at the north end. This will be developed at once, and ore will be coming out of stopes there in a few weeks, which will ease the pressure from the Irish Mag shaft. The latter has been hoisting 700 to 750 tons of ore daily for the past two years, as well as carrying on all developments underground on that and adjoining claims. The shaft and equipment need a little breathing space for some readjustments. The two additional furnaces at this company's smelter will be used the coming year for ore from adjoining properties of this group.

The first of these mines to ship will be the Pittsburgh and Duluth and Lake Superior and Pittsburgh, both of which have developed large bodies of ore and are waiting only for the completion of the Cole shaft. If the latter is ready in April or May it will be shipping large quantities of ore at once thereafter. The ore found in the Pittsburgh and Duluth are largely sulphides, which have been lacking in these mines, and are coming in very advantageously now. They will assist the smelting of the oxides from the Lake Superior and Pittsburgh, which are high grade. The Pittsburgh and Duluth is meeting higher grade ores than at first, and the drifts have now been in ore for nearly a month. No. 2 crosscut is out of the solid ore body, but is cutting mixed seams of ore and lime. This crosscut is reaching for the Congdon shaft, but is long distance away, and the air is so bad at the breasts that work is very slow and difficult. It may be six months before this connection is made through.

A solid train load of coke from Pennsylvania is at Douglas this week, coming through to the Copper Queen smelter, which was short of fuel. There has been a shortage of coal from the southwest, and this is the longest shipment of Connellsville coke ever made. The United Verde has more than six months' supply of coke on hand at Jerome junction, and is well fixed. It was tied up a long time last year by a shortage of fuel. The Calumet and Arizona has a large supply, probably not less than enough for 90 days.

The Lake Superior and Arizona, a mine east of Phoenix, which is owned in the Lake Superior copper region, is shipping trial cars to the smelters. The last car averaged $45 to the ton, and there is ore blocked out that goes far higher. This is a carbonate, in quarzite. If the mine shows rich enough a smelter will be built and a road constructed to the main line of the Phoenix and Eastern, at Florence.

The Copper Butte mine at Kelvin, is idle. The main shaft was sunk 500 feet. The mine looks like a good prospect.

An installment on the capital stock of Pittsburgh and Duluth of $3 a share, or $450,000, was due yesterday. This will make the stock 60 per cent paid, the remaining $4, or $600,000, to come in two payments before June 15 next. A total of $1,500,000 will then have been paid by the original stockholders.

The United Gold mines of Cripple Creek has declared half a cent monthly dividend, payable January 5, 1905. This is the second dividend since the miners' strike and is regarded as a practical indication that business in Colorado has returned to a normal basis.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The London tin market was easier by about 10@15s, with spot at £135 10s and futures quoted at £130 10s. Locally the market was quiet and a shade lower at $29 25@29 55. Copper was firm abroad, with spot quoted at £66 and futures at £66 7s 6d. Locally the market was without material change from the conditions recently reported. Demand, so far as can be learned, is moderate. Lake is quoted at $14 75@15 12½, electrolytic at $14 75@15 00, and casting at $14 50@14 75. Lead was unchanged at $4 60@4 70 in the New York market, but was a little higher at £12 17s 6d in London. Spelter ruled slightly easier in the London market, closing at £24 17s 6d, while locally the prices remained unchanged at $5 75@5 87½. Iron closed at 52s 3d in Glasgow and at 48s 1½d in Middlesboro. Locally iron was slightly higher. No. 1 foundry northern, No. 1 foundry southern, and No. 1 foundry southern soft are quoted at $17 25@17 75. No. 2 foundry northern at $16 50@17 25.

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Bid.
Allouez	18	18	18	18
Adventure	†6	....	....	5¾
Arcadian	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾
Atlantic	16½	16⅛	16	16
Bingham	34¾	35	34½	34½
Calumet & Arizona	†105	....	....	101
Isle Royale	25⅝	26	25½	25½
Calumet & Hecla	645	645	645	645
Centennial	25⅛	25¼	24⅞	24½
Calumet & Pgh	†40	....	....	39
Elm River	†3	....	....	2½
Franklin	11	11⅜	11	11¼
Junction Dev. Co.	....	....	....	80
Greene	27	27½	25½	25½
L. S. & P.	....	....	....	44
Granby	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛
Mass	†8⅞	....	....	8¼
Mohawk	†51	....	....	49½
Michigan	9¼	9¼	9¼	9
Osceola	92	92	92	92
Old Dominion	†26	....	....	25
Old Colony	1½	1½	1½	1¼
Parrot	27	27	26	26
Phoenix	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾
Pgh. & Dul., $6 paid	28⅛	28⅛	28	28
Do $10 paid	†30	....	....	32
Range Consolidated	67	67¼	65½	65½
Rhode Island	†2	....	....	1½
Trinity	11	11	10⅞	10¾
Tamarack	118	118	118	119
Utah	42¾	42¾	41⅞	41¾
U. S. Mining	24½	24¾	24½	24⅝
Victoria	4½	4½	4½	4¼
Wolverine	105	105	105	104
Winona	12	12	11½	11½
Tonopah Montana	†1.74	....	....	1.69
Tonopah Belmont	†.73	....	....	.71
Wyandotte	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞	1⅞

†Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con.	.20
Alice	.60
Breece	.11
Brunswick Con.	.16
Comstock Tunnel	.08
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.60
Horn Silver	1.55
Iron Silver	1.90
Leadville Con.	.02
Little Chief	.05
Ontario	3.50
Ophir	3.20
Phoenix	.08
Potosi	.12
Savage	.21
Sierra Nevada	.40
Small Hopes	.26
Standard	1.60

The Bond Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—District of Columbia 3s, '65s, 120@121; Philippine 4s, 109@111. Price ranges were as follows:

	High.	Low.	Last Sale.
Virginia 6s	11⅝	11⅜	11½
Japanese 6s	93⅝	92⅞	93
American Tobacco 6s	110⅝	110¼	110⅜
Do 4s	72¼	72	72
Atchison general 4s	102⅞	102⅝	102¾
Balto. & Ohio gold 4s	103⅜	103¼	103⅜
Central of Georgia con. 4s	111	110⅞	111
Do 1st inc.	92½	92	92½
Do 2d inc.	72½	71⅞	72½
Do 3d inc.	63	62½	63
C., B. & Q. joint 4s	100¼	100	100⅛
C., R. I. & P. col. 4s	81	80¾	80¾
Colorado & Southern 4s	91	89¾	90⅞
M., K. & T. 1st 4s	100⅜	100	100¼
Reading general 4s	102½	102¼	102¼
St. L. S. F. rfdg. 4s	89½	89¼	89⅜
Southern Ry. 1st cin. 5s	120	119¼	120
Union Pacific con. 4s	111	110½	110½
United Rys. of St. Louis 4s	89	87¾	89
United States Steel s. f. 5s	92½	92⅛	92⅛

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance of 10 points and ruled very active. There seemed to be nothing in the news of the day aside from moderate Brazilian receipts and steady European markets to accelerate buying, but speculation appears to be spreading out and in spite of very heavy realizing attracted by the advance and selling on the reaction theory the market during the morning showed great firmness, with prices at one time at 10 to 15 points net higher. Later quotations slipped off a little from the best, but the tone was good apparently, and continued buying by Wall street, cotton exchange houses and Europe held prices at a net gain of 5 to 10 points, the market closing steady on that basis. Sales were reported of 239,250 bags, including December at 7.50c, January at 7.50@7.60c, March at 7.75@7.85c, April at 7.95c, May at 8.00@8.10c, June at 8.15c, July at 8.20@8.25c, and September at 8.40@8.45c. Coffee—Spot steady. Sugar—Raw firm. Refined firm.

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WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS PLAYS AND PLAYERS

IN A NUTSHELL

NIXON—Miss Ada Rehan. Her Katherine lacks but few of the old delightful elements. Mr. Richman is as of old.

ALVIN—The stock company plays well a poor melodrama.

GAYETY—Mr. Creston Clarke is vivacious, if not so artistic as Mansfield, in "Monsieur Beaucaire."

DUQUESNE—Buster Brown continues to play his pranks.

GRAND—Some good vaudeville.

BIJOU—A melodrama that ought to have died before it lived.

ACADEMY—The burlesques are better than the olio.

Nixon—Miss Ada Rehan as Katherine.

To those theatergoers who hold delightful memories of the best days of Augustin Daly, the engagement at the Nixon this week of Daly's supreme star in revivals of two of that star's most famous roles can hardly be without deep interest. To that other ever-increasing number of playgoers who care little for traditions, nothing at all for names and give scant thought to styles of acting it will be eminently worth while to see one of the most buoyant of Shakespeare's comedies given interpretation by at least two players who have had their art seasoned under tutelage, than which our modern stage rarely has had better. Miss Ada Rehan, supported by Charles Richman, was seen last night in Mr. Daly's edition of "Taming of the Shrew," an edition that varies quite largely from that made by most American producers. In the Daly version the Induction to the play, including the deception practiced upon the drunken and witless Christopher Sly, is used, the audience of that created lord being carried to the end of the first act of the play proper. There is also in this Dalyized version a full recital of the subsidiary love story of Bianca and Lucentio. These restored parts of the comedy yield desirable results in some respects, though the Induction is perhaps unnecessary to a clear understanding of the main theme and its vital connection is quite early lost sight of by everybody not in sympathy with the original text.

In its present revival the comedy lacks much by way of rich trappings that have come to be so frequently a part of our modern Shakespeare. In the work of both Miss Rehan and Mr. Richman, however, there is little lack of the old excellence that made their joint efforts so delightful in other days. Perhaps to those who knew and admired Miss Rehan's sincere and careful work of a dozen years ago there was noted some lessening of the old buoyancy, a shade of forced vivacity where once it was all charming spontaneity, but in richness of spirit in that peculiar unctiousness of her art that made her so long the apple of Daly's eye, the actress is still herself. Miss Rehan's art was always more Mr. Daly's inspiration and instruction than inherent gifts or personal endowments. But so apt a pupil was she, so original and brilliant a scholar in the Daly school, that it is beyond the most critical discernment to tell where native Gaelic wit and genius left off and art instruction began.

Miss Rehan's Katherine is still a delightful characterization. Its famous lines still receive that peculiar intonation, that rising inflection that is sometimes sibilant and sometimes almost nasal. In her reading and in the force of expression and gesture she is much the same Ada Rehan of other days. If the fiery Katherine lacks somewhat the old vigor and realism of rage and distemper, it must be remembered that time and the storm-beats of sorrow have swept over the head of this once popular comedienne.

In Mr. Richman's case there was no lessening of the power with which he realizes the character of Petruchio. It is a truly convincing and masterful creation, reflecting seasoned and intelligent conception and a ready interpretation that leaves nothing to be desired. Both Mr. Richman and Miss Rehan read well. It is a delight to hear his roystering rendition of Shakespeare's happy lines, while Miss Rehan reads the beautiful and comprehensive rebuke to the disobedient wives in the last act with consummate skill and intelligence.

Next to the stars Mr. Wilfrid Clarke's Grumio is the best thing in this revival. It is full of a good actor's sound sense of comedy wrought out with ludicrous humor. Since Mr. Kolker's retirement from the cast a few weeks ago Mr. William Rosell has been appearing as Lucentio, and plays the part with much intelligence for a young man. His reading is especially to be commended, though he lacks pose and maturity, a defect that experience will remedy. Mr. Fulton Russell's Christopher Sly in the induction is perhaps played a bit crudely, but is good withal. Miss Theo Carew's Bianca is pleasing, and the small bit of Curtis is played with much skill by that fine old woman of the stage, Mrs. Thomas Barry. The production, as I have already said, lacks much in scenic freshness, no attempt being made to improve upon or even meet the old Daly accuracy and beauty.

Tonight "The School for Scandal" will be presented with Miss Rehan as Lady Teazle and Mr. Richman as Charles Surface.

CHARLES M. BREGG.

Alvin—"Sergeant James."

Mr. Eugene Walters, a Philadelphia newspaper man, not unknown locally, has written an obvious and wholly conventional melodrama in "Sergeant James," which had its Pittsburgh premier yesterday at the hands of the stock company at the Alvin. It is unfortunate that the author has stuck so closely to a beaten track. There are patches of dialogue and at least one curtain scene in which he displays talent for stage authorship. Mr. Henry Kolker, who was with Miss Ada Rehan, tried the play as a starring medium, but gave it up. "Sergeant James" is an army play, a la the Capt. King style of novelette. A young man has loved a girl in New York who to save the family honor has married a rich scoundrel, who, of course, loses his money. The lover joins the army and is made sergeant for bravery. The girl and her husband, who has been appointed a mine superintendent in Montana, find themselves in the same locality. Renewal of the old attachment. Husband forms a plot with a clerk and a member of Sergeant James' company to rob his own house and is shot by his wife. Thereafter the play ends happily. Its situations are so obvious as to be almost absurd and its melodrama so broadly introduced as to destroy all chance of artistic interpretation, though the stock company do it cleverly enough. The gentlemanly villian in a Tuxedo chokes his wife, and the hero heroically forbears from violence and tells the villain he must be good. In the next act the choked wife is baking biscuits for her villainous husband, but for the good of all concerned she shoots him before the evening is over. There is much reference in this act to the results that follow the riding of a white horse by a young lady that accentuates the crudeness and vapidness of the melodrama, if it do not do worse. It is a great pity to waste good talent in a play which, with the kindest intentions, can only be called conventional melodrama. The company as a rule do excellent work. Miss Kenmark's role is absolutely insipid, but she makes the best of it. Mr. Courtenay is saying farewell this week under trying circumstances. He has a bad cold and a weak role. Both of these handicaps put an eclipse on his usually excellent work, but his friends will gather on Friday evening to give him a hearty goodby, all the same. Miss Emma Dunn is exceedingly vivacious in the role of a breezy New York girl. Mr. Paulding plays the part of a French clerk with skill. Mr. Wyngate's villain is a milk and water sort of person, but he is what the author made him. The play is put forward adequately and even richly.

Gayety—Creston Clarke as Beaucaire.

It is no easy thing to play a role after Richard Mansfield has played it, and court comparisons with that actor. Perhaps no greater praise could be given Creston Clarke than to say that his impersonation of Monsieur Beaucaire at the Gayety theater last night need not be ashamed to court such comparison. One misses the poetic depth and temperamental warmth of Mansfield's interpretation; Mr. Clarke's feelings are more superficial, his sangfroid is more bravado, just as Mansfield's inimitable Gallic twang is largely sacrificed—and yet here is a Monsieur Beaucaire who is handsome, dashing, reads his lines intelligently and carried his audience with him throughout the evening. He was at his best in the close of act 1, when he is ejected from the pump room; in act 2, when he discovers the duke cheating at cards; and in the lovemaking of act 4.

Of Mr. Clarke's support special mention is due to Frank MacDonald, who played the duke of Winterset admirably, and to Jules Cluzetti, who enacted Beaucaire's servant with considerable talent. The rest of the male members of the cast did only fairly well; George Earle as Mr. Bantison and Roy Clements as Mr. Molyneux had good moments; most of the others had little to do, and that is the best that can be said.

Agnes Ardeck looked the fair Lady Mary Carlisle and played the part fairly well. Perhaps she did not show quite enough hauteur in act 3, and became a little melodramatic near the close of act 4, but her performance as a whole was quite satisfactory. Blanche Moulton played the unendurable countess of Greenbury in an unendurably strained fashion. This character is not in Tarkington's story and should not have been in the play, for it is a cheap stock figure borrowed from farce.

With a few minor changes—such as padding the role of the countess in act 1, and omitting an unnecessary violin solo from act 3, the play is presented just as Mansfield presented it. Scenery and costumes are not one whit less beautiful and the production is eminently satisfying as a whole. The large audience showed its appreciation of the romantic comedy by unstinting applause.

Duquesne—"Buster Brown."

This lively little chap began his second and last week's engagement at the Duquesne theater last night under the most pleasant auspices. Buster is so well known in this community both by reason of his newspaper fame and his stage antics that he is always certain of a large audience. The musical and comedy extravaganza that has been built around his mischievous person is very much better than when seen here earlier in the season. The addition of a half-dozen or more excellent people like Bobby North, Ross Snow and La Belle Daisie, the toe dancer, besides the immense additional strength given the chorus and beauty show, increase the attractiveness of the entertainment. Of course the "book" of the piece is incoherent and at times lame, but the whole thing moves off with such alacrity and Buster and Tige are such amusing individuals that as a Christmas diversion Buster Brown is exceedingly pleasing. The management of the Duquesne, however, should curtail the liberties of the song book and candy hawkers. This is, in its elaborate form as the Duquesne allows it, an innovation that cannot be classed as an improvement.

Grand—Excellent Vaudeville.

An excellent vaudeville program at the Grand this week is headed by the Fadettes women's orchestra, which has been a feature attraction of the Pittsburgh Exposition in the past. Liberal applause by the audience last night attested to the fixed popularity of this organization here, and the variety of musical numbers rendered were encored repeatedly. A very ludicrous bit of comedy, called "From Zaza to Uncle Tom," is presented by W. H. Murphy, Blanche Nichols and company, and while it may be classed as low comedy, it keeps the house in an uproar of laughter from beginning to end. Florence Fagan, a graduate from local theatricals, appeared in a dramatic monologue which she acted in a most clever manner. An exceptionally clever list of new vaudeville acts fills out the remainder of the long bill, concluding with a new kinetograph picture of a fight with Kentucky moonshiners, which is worth seeing.

Academy—"The Gay Masqueraders."

Two rollicking burlesques are the best features of the "Gay Masqueraders" show which is at the Academy for the week, and the big crowd of first-nighters enjoyed them to the limit last night. The rough-and-tumble fun is generally original and the singing and evolutions of the large chorus are made doubly attractive by some elaborate special scenery and dazzling light effects. A good bicycle act by the Baker troupe, which includes the "looping the gap" act, is the best number on the olio bill, which includes a clever song and dance act by Gertie DeMilt; comedy by the Brownings, and a little nonsense by Mitchell and Cain called "The Frenchman and the Other Fellow."

Bijou—"A Desperate Chance."

Once more that offensive product of ultra sensationalism, "A Desperate Chance," is served up at the Bijou. Just why such a crude attempt to dramatize a crime which is a lasting disgrace to Allegheny county should appeal to any person with an average amount of intelligence is almost as much of a mystery as why the authorities allow the play to proceed at all. It is thoroughly debasing in its tone and morals, disgusting in its references to scenes which Pittsburghers would like to forget and devoid of whatever merit might entitle it to a worthy place among melodramas. A new company and new scenery, much of which is set up in plain view of the ticket buyers, has not added enough of value to the performance to even lift it to the level of gaining the regular support of the gallery gods. Edwin Forsberg in the leading role has less to apologize for than the remainder of the company, for his work shows him to have many qualifications of an actor and a good stage presence. Little Baby Zara is a bright spot in the cast. The little maiden has a sweet voice and an unconscious manner that give promise of greater successes in the future. Miss Eugenie Besserer is not entirely without good points in her portrayal. The work of the remainder of the company can best be judged by the random comments of the hearers which were anything but favorable last night.

Mansfield's Engagement.

For the special Christmas matinee, Monday afternoon, "Beau Brummel" will be the bill and Monday night Mansfield will produce "Ivan the Terrible." Tuesday he will play "Beau Brummel;" Wednesday, Shylock, in a production of Shakespeare's comedy, "The Merchant of Venice;" Thursday as the Baron Chevrial, in "A Parisian Romance;" Friday as King Richard, in a great production of "King Richard III.;" Saturday matinee in "The Merchant of Venice" and Saturday (farewell) night, in "Dr. Jeykll and Mr. Hyde." The management desires to particularly impress the fact that there will positively be no advance over Mr. Mansfield's former scale of prices.

Christmas Spectacle at the New Alvin.

The sale of seats for the big Christmas spectacle "Around the World in Eighty Days," which will be the Christmas attraction at the new Alvin, commencing Monday, December 26, opened yesterday morning. In addition to the appearance of every member of the stock company in the cast, there will be the famous Kiralfy ballet, also the celebrated pony ballet, from the Empire theater, London. There will be a troupe of 12 Arabs, among the greatest acrobats of their race. There will be a herd of marvelously trained elephants and camels, secured from Barnum & Bailey's circus. Among them is the only bucking elephant in the world.

DOWIE'S SON DID NOT MARRY MISS HOFER

Attorney for Elijah Settlement Declares Wealthy Swiss Convert is Coming Back.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—John Alexander Dowie, today denounced the report that his son, Gladstone Dowie, the "unkissed," was married to Ruth Hofer, the beautiful and wealthy young Swiss convert, whose coming to America caused cheers in Zion. Through his spokesman he declared that the girl never married, never was ill-treated and never deserted Zion. He declared she would return to Zion city the before the beginning of the new year.

This outburst of denials from Zion city resulted from the publication of an alleged interview with "Mrs. Gladstone Dowie" in London. Judge V. V. Barnes, representing Zion's legal department, talked for Dowie.

"Miss Hofer," he said, "was never married or engaged to be married to Gladstone Dowie. Miss Hofer came to America to study English in the university. She is an accomplished linguist and her work consisted of translating "The Leaves of Healing" into French and German.

"I do not believe she gave out the interview printed," continued Judge Barnes, "but if she did it is totally untrue. Her mother was ill, and she went to Geneva."

HER CREW IS MISSING.

Schooner from Windsor, N. S., Sank in Sunday's Storm and Six Men May Have Been Drowned.

WOODS HOLE, MASS., Dec. 19.—The threemasted schooner Richard S. Leaming, Capt. Hatfield, lies sunken on Long Island shoal. The Leaming went down in Sunday's blizzard. She was bound from Windsor, N. S., for Philadelphia.

The crew of the Muskeget life saving station which put out to the vessel yesterday found no one on board. The schooner's boat was missing, but the life savers have little hope the men from the vessel could have escaped in such a storm. She carried a crew of six.

CARRIED A POLICY IN FAVOR OF BROTHER

RISING SUN, IND., Dec. 19.—In the trial of James Gillespie today it was shown Elizabeth Gillespie carried a life insurance policy of $2,000 in favor of James Gillespie, her twin brother, who is on trial charged with her murder. This policy was taken out before the family quarrels began.

"Blue" Monday Comes on Tuesday.

"Blue" Monday comes on Tuesday this month. This disclosure is made in a proclamation issued by the "Blue Monday club," composed of the young Presbyterian ministers and their wives of Pittsburgh and Allegheny. The members gather monthly for social diversion and will meet this evening at the home of the Rev. B. H. McIlatten, 821 Cherokee street.

Alabama Double Murder.

SELMA, ALA., Dec. 19.—News has reached here of a double murder at McWilliams in Wilcox county. The victims were Mr. and Mrs. James Andrews of that place. Mrs. Andrews was found lying across the bed with her throat cut, while Andrews was found dead on the floor with several pistol wounds in his body.

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James R. Keene Is Not Interest in Bonds Who He Is Said to Have Helped Shear in Copper.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—James R. Keene, who has been unable to attend to business for the past week, owing to an attack of laryngitis, was asked at the Waldorf-Astoria today what action he intended taking with regard to Thomas W. Lawson's assertion that he held proof in the shape of a personal letter from Mr. Keene that 292,000 shares of Amalgamated Copper stock "were worked off on poor devils" from Flower & Co's office, and that Mr. Keene "washed" many of the sales.

Mr. Keene said: "I have made up my mind to let Lawson go right ahead in this matter. He started it and he has all the time in the world in which to find and publish that letter. I refuse to waste any more time on the affair."

SIGNED NO REFORMS.

Emperor Nicholas' Name Day Was Not Marked by Granting of Manifesto Conceding Popular Measures.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Contrary to general expectation, Emperor Nicholas' name day was not signalized by the issue of a manifesto on the subject of reforms which is now expected December 20. A long list of honors was gazetted, however, principally army officers.

The city was decorated with flags, a solemn Te Deum was chanted at St. Isaac's cathedral, a salute of 101 guns was fired from the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, and free performances were given at the theaters. Agitators made no attempt at anti-governmental demonstrations.

The nobility at Tsarskoe Seloe marked the occasion by starting a subscription for the purchase of a residence there for Gen. Stoessel.

CHINESE ASK REVENGE.

Population of Ningpo Is Aroused Over Murder of Their Countryman by a Russian Sailor.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19.—The Chinaman murdered by a sailor from the Russian cruiser Askold, December 15, as the result of a dispute over payment for the hire of a jinriksha, was a native of Ningpo (an important treaty port 100 miles south of Shanghai), and the affair has caused intense indignation among the Ningpo community here, which is 50,000 strong. The lower classes are urging an attack on all Russians in Shanghai, but they are restrained by the Ningpo Guild, which is counselling patience, pending the action of the taotai.

The sailor has been sent on board the Askold by the Russian consul, where he will be tried by court-martial.

AMERICAN CHARITY FOR BELLIGERANT NATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—In response to appeals from missionaries of the Christian churches in Japan, a committee has been organized in the United States to secure contributions on account of the sick and wounded of both Japanese and Russian armies, and of widows and orphans in Japan. The Franklin Trust Company of this city is to be treasurer of the proposed fund.

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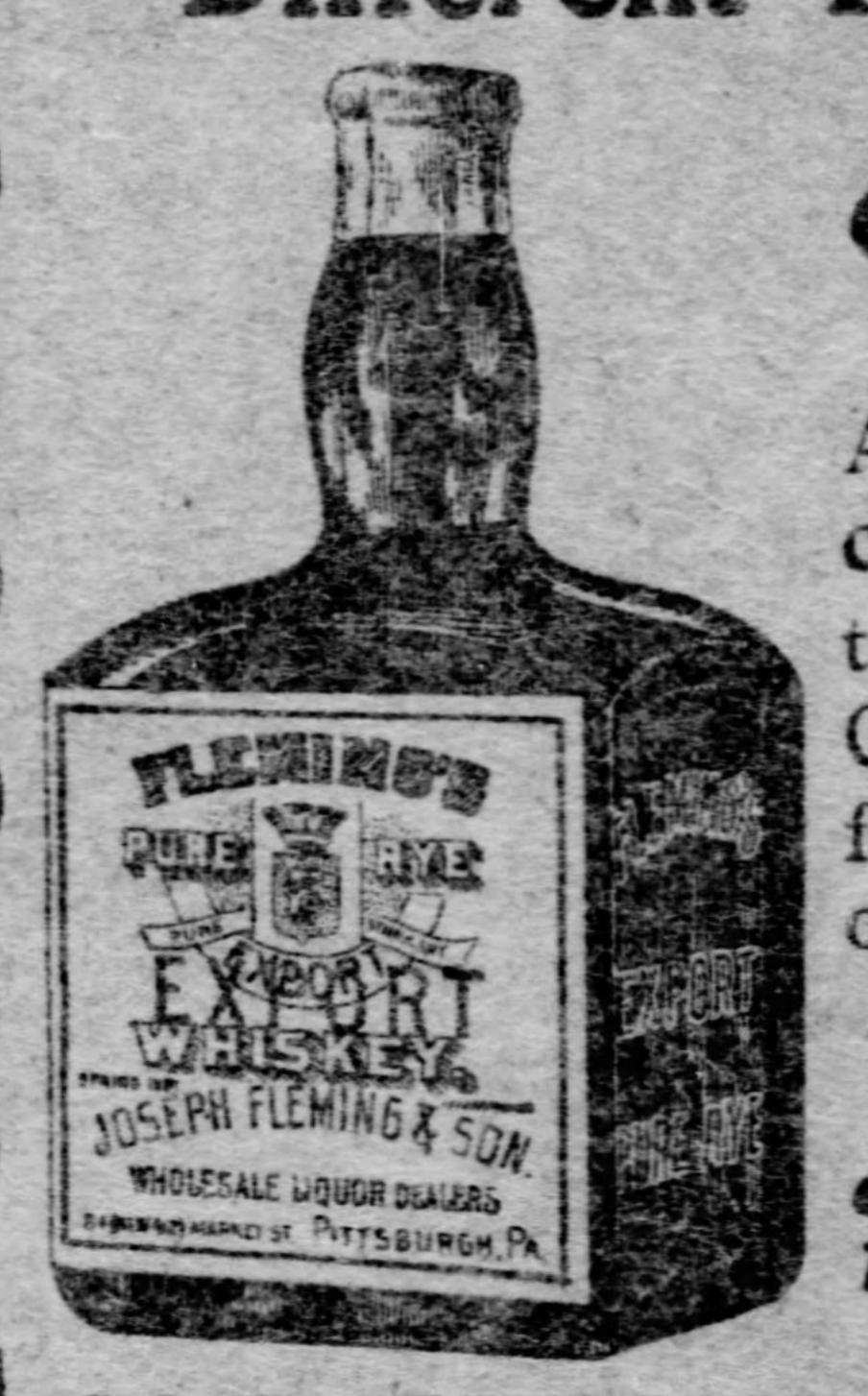

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